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THIS WAS
THE WAY OF
THE WEST...!
FROM OUT OF
THE PAST
COMES THE
TOUGHEST
LAWMAN OF
ALL TIME...!

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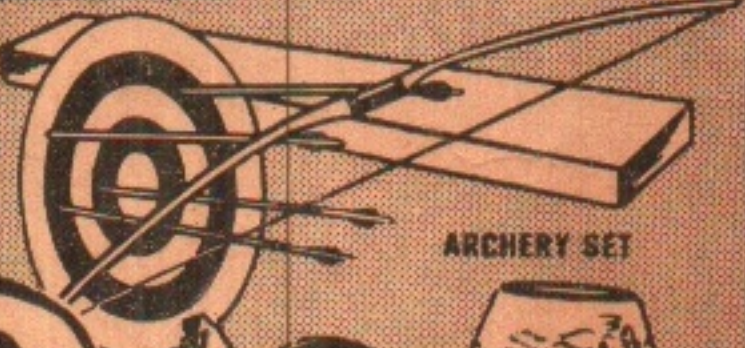
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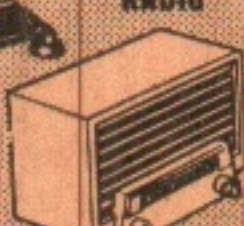
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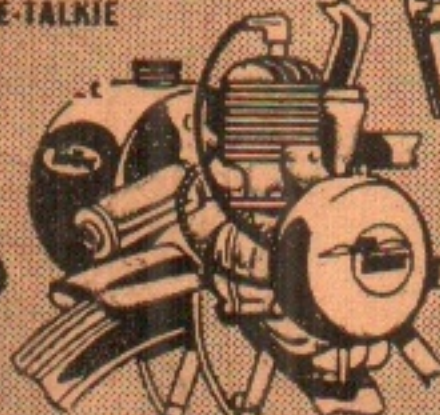
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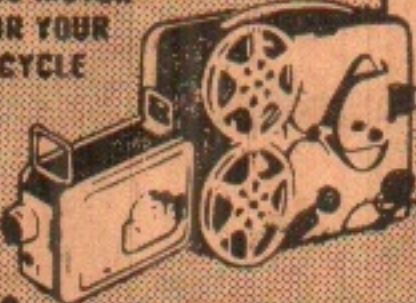
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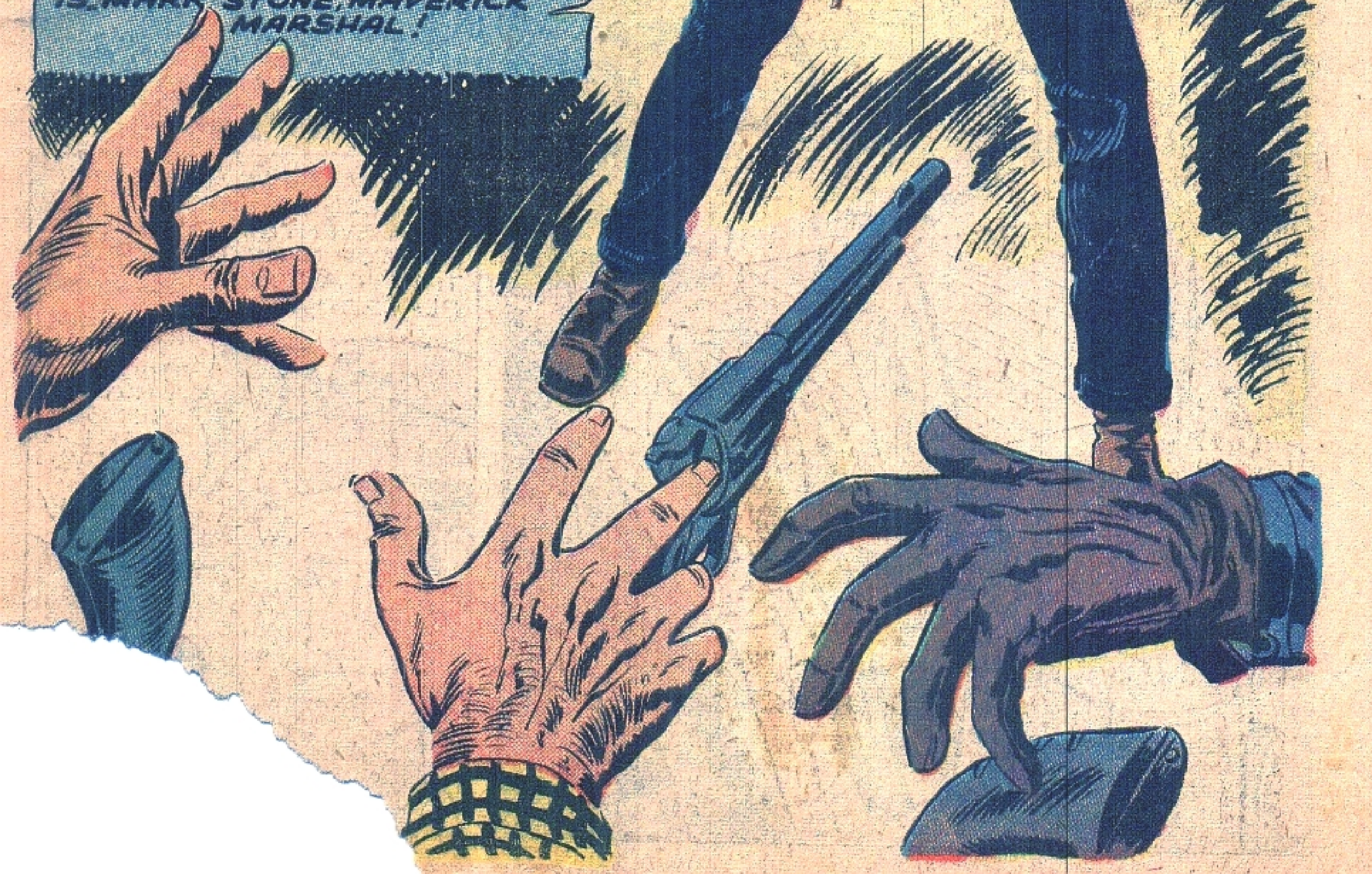
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Introducing

MARK STONE

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THERE'S A NEW LAWMAN
COMING YOUR WAY -- HE'S NOT
ANY ONE MAN TAKEN FROM THE
PAGES OF FRONTIER HISTORY BUT
A COMPOSITE -- HE'S WYATT EARP
AND HIS BLAZING COLTS IN THE
STREETS OF TOMBSTONE, HE'S
WILD BILL HICKOK TAKING ON THE
DEADLIEST GUNMEN IN ABILENE --
OUR U.S. MARSHAL IS ALL OF THEM,
HICKOK, EARP, TOM SMITH AND BILLY
TILGHMAN CONDENSED INTO ONE
FIGHTING MAN SEARCHING OUT THE
GUNHAWKS AND GAMBLERS, RUNNING
DOWN THE RUSTLERS WHEREVER
HIS DUTY TAKES HIM! HERE HE
IS, MARK STONE, MAVERICK
MARSHAL!



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IN

"NEEDLE ROCK RENDEZVOUS!"



MY ORDERS, WHEN I LEFT THE SANTA FE OFFICE, WERE TO FIND THE MEN WHO LOOTED DE SILVA'S SAFE AND BRING THEM IN, ALONG WITH DE SILVA'S MONEY. I WAS LUCKY--THREE WEEKS AFTER THE ROBBERY, I CAUGHT UP WITH MUSH FARREL, ONE OF THE OUTLAWS...

I KNEW
YUH WERE
TRAILIN' ME,
YUH...
YAAHH!

IF ANYONE TRIES
TO INTERFERE,
I'LL TAKE 'EM ON
RIGHT NOW!

HE'S A
STRANGER
TUH US,
MARSHAL!
WE WON'T
BUTT IN!

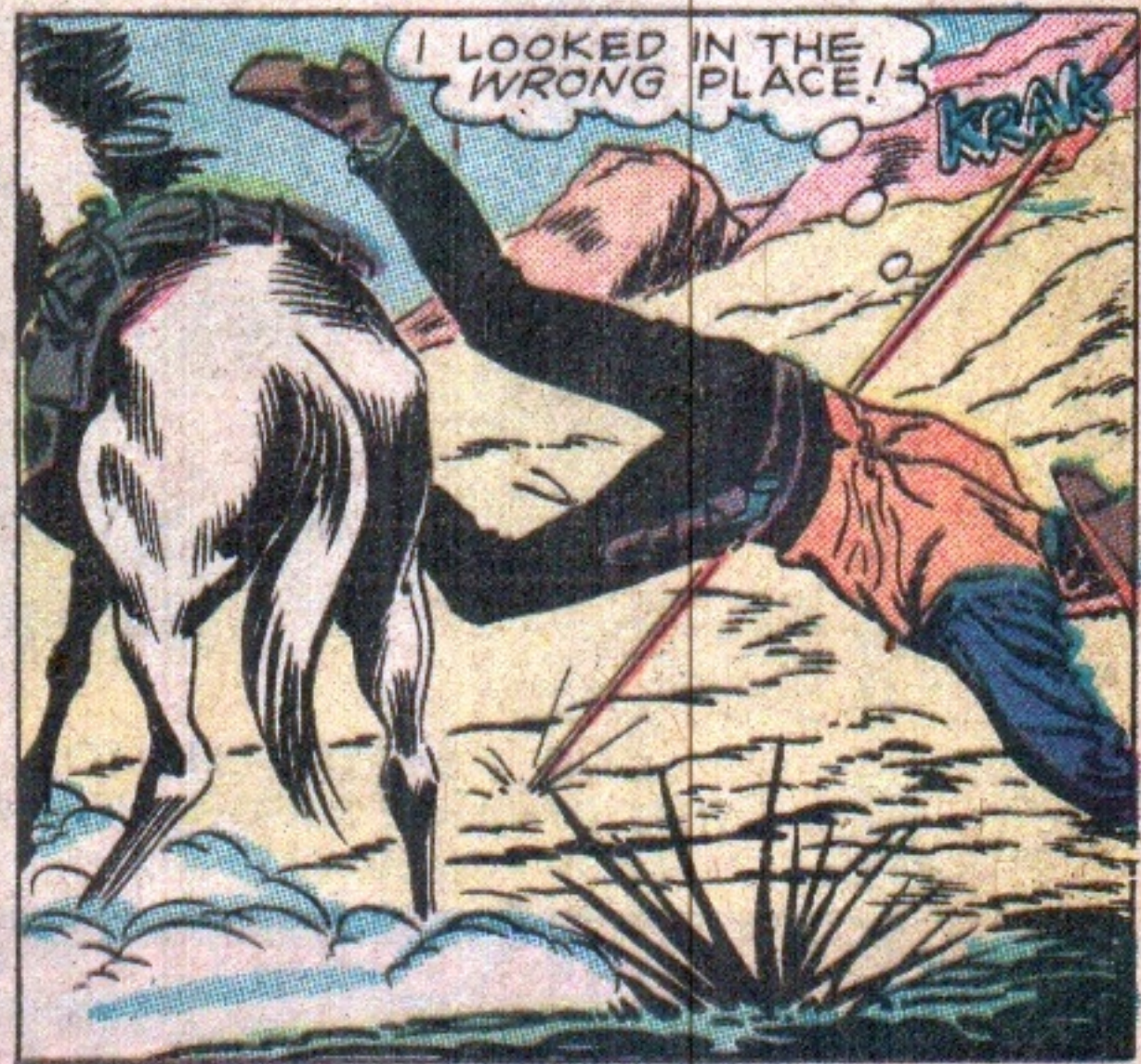
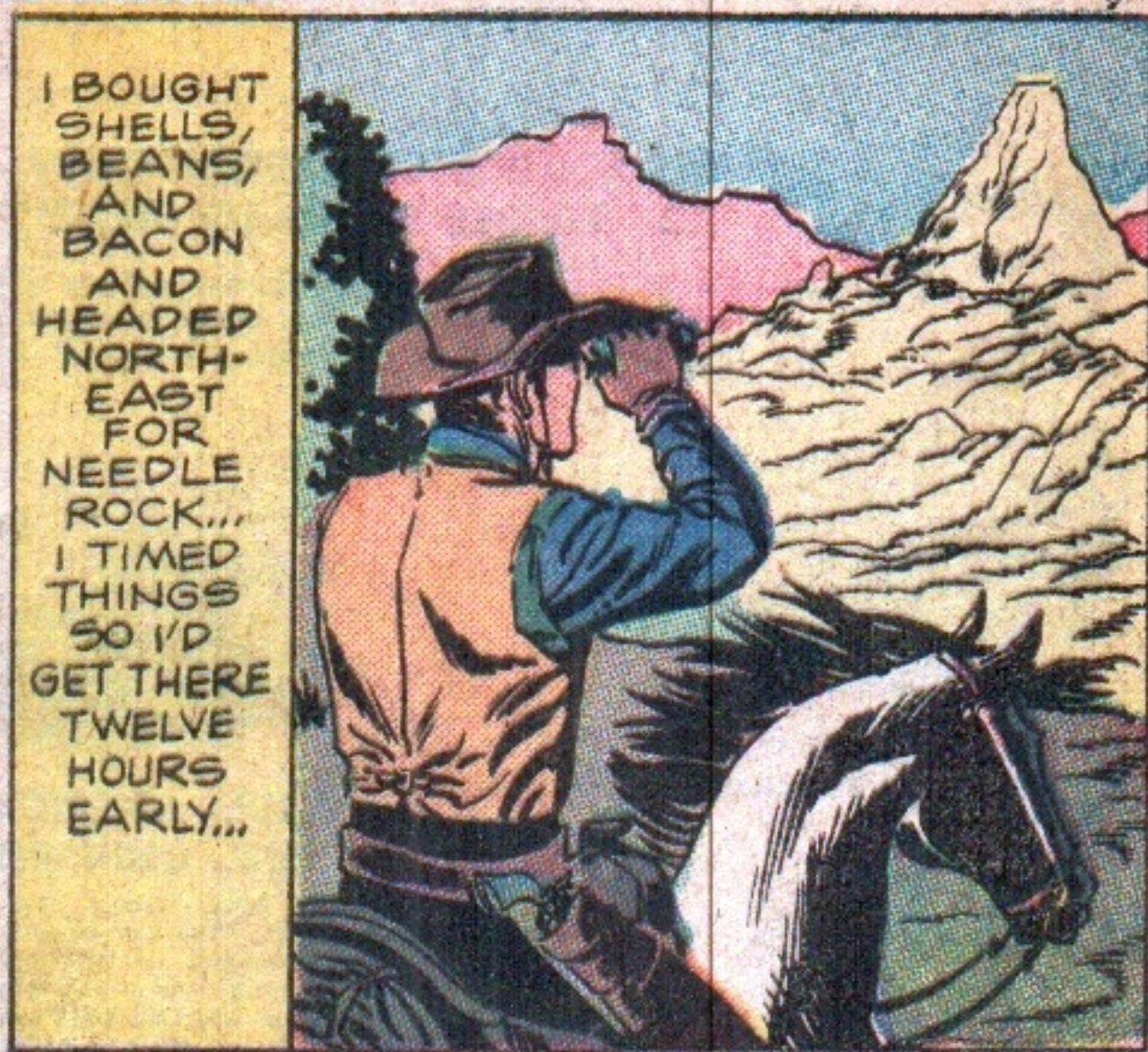
MUSH FARREL WAS IN SHOCK--
HE WASN'T BADLY HURT BUT I
DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO WAIT FOR
ANSWERS! I FOUND WHAT I
WANTED IN A SHIRT POCKET!

UH-HUH! YUH'VE GOT A
RENDEZVOUS SET FOR
THE SEVENTEENTH FOR
THE TOP O' NEEDLE ROCK!
THAT'S A FUNNY
PLACE TO MEET!

YEAH--
YUH'LL
THINK IT'S
A HOWL IF
YUH GO
THERE--
ALL THE
WAY
DOWN!

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IT WOULD'VE WORKED WITH MOST FUGITIVES-- BUT NOT THE MAN I WAS HUNTING!

TURN BACK, STONE! THE NEXT ONE'LL BE DEAD CENTER!



I HAD NO CHOICE -- I WENT TO MY HORSE, MOUNTED, AND HEADED BACK!

WHOEVER IT IS, HE'S A COOL ARTICLE! HE'S HOLDIN' THE ACES AND HE KNOWS IT!



HE'S UP HIGH... ME C'N SEE EVERY SIDE-WINDER THAT MOVES DOWN HERE! BUT THE SUN'S GOIN' DOWN, I'LL MAKE MY MOVE THEN!

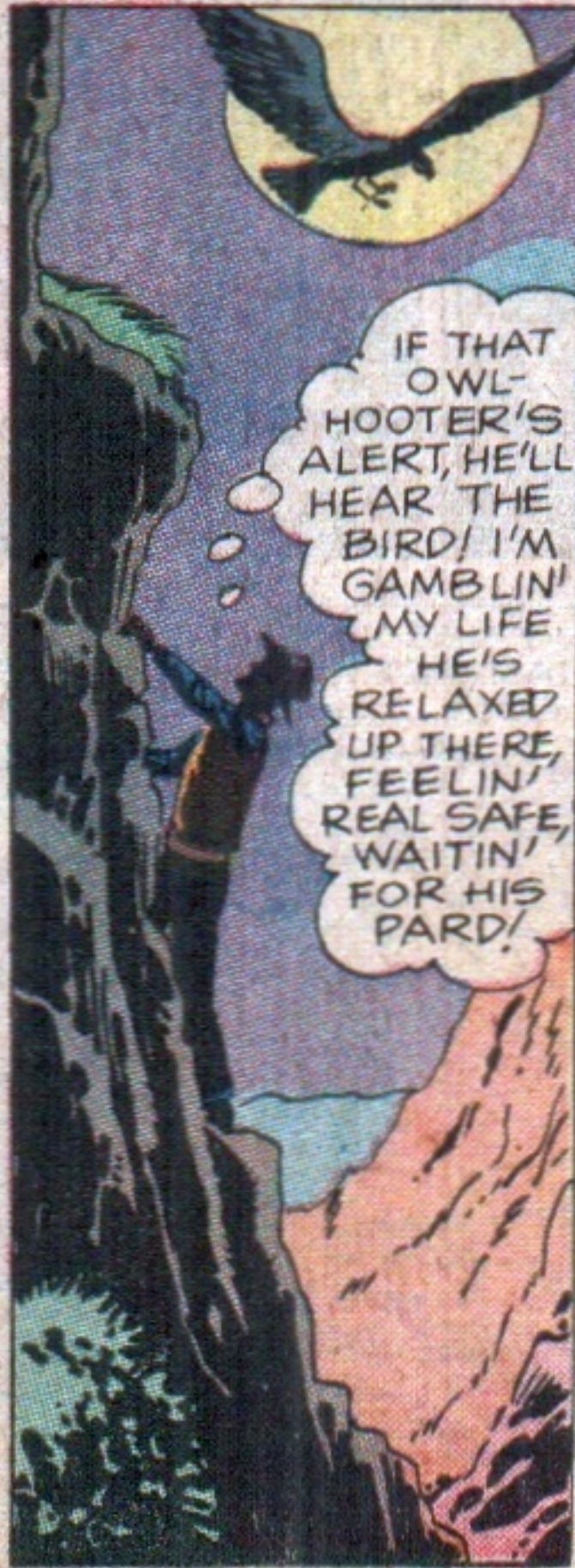


I'D SEEN NEEDLE ROCK BEFORE-- I KNEW THE NARROW TRAIL UP THE FAR SIDE WOULD MAKE A MOUNTAIN GOAT SHIVER! I COULDN'T TAKE THAT TRAIL, I HAD TO GO UP SHEER ROCK!

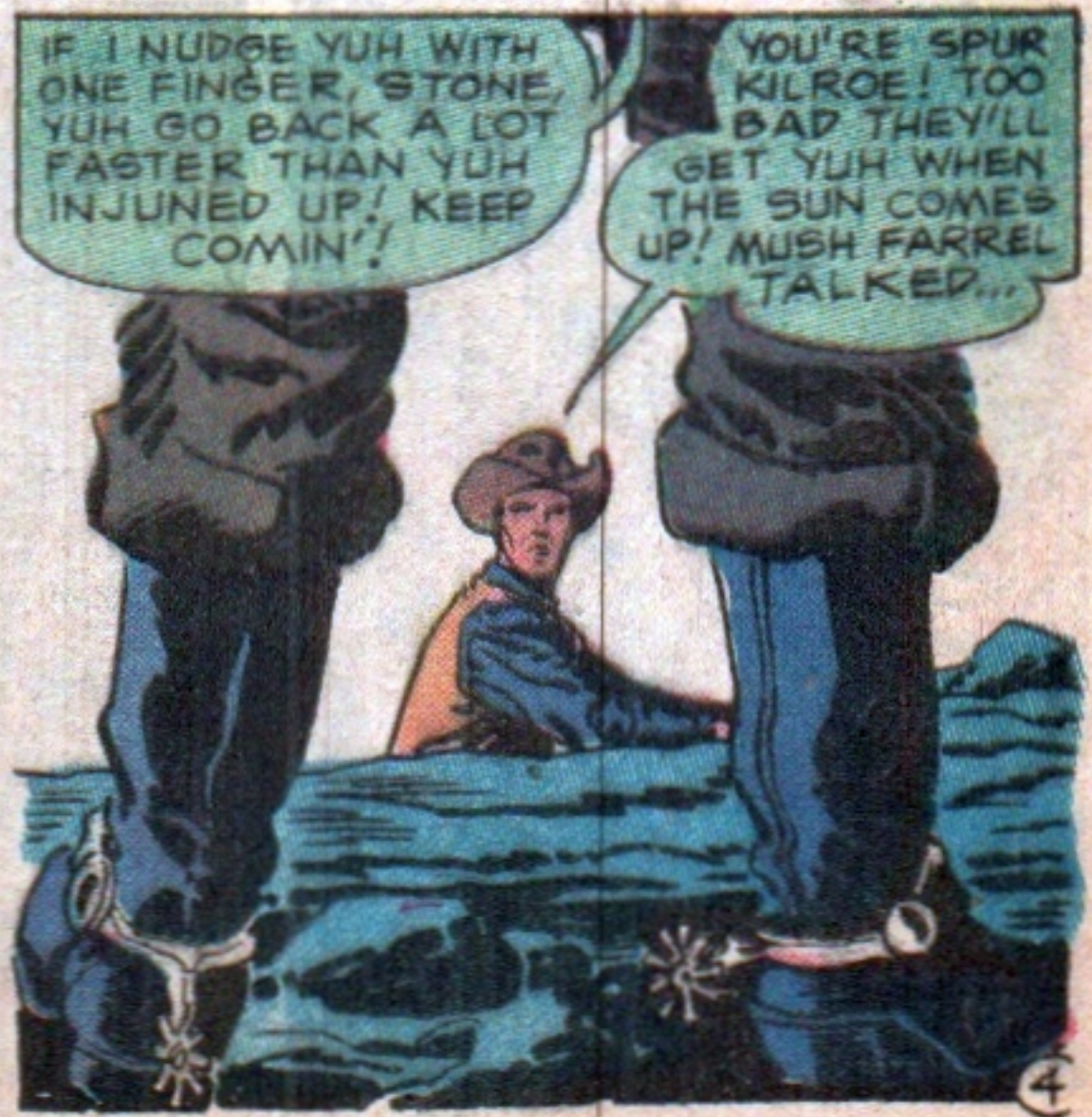
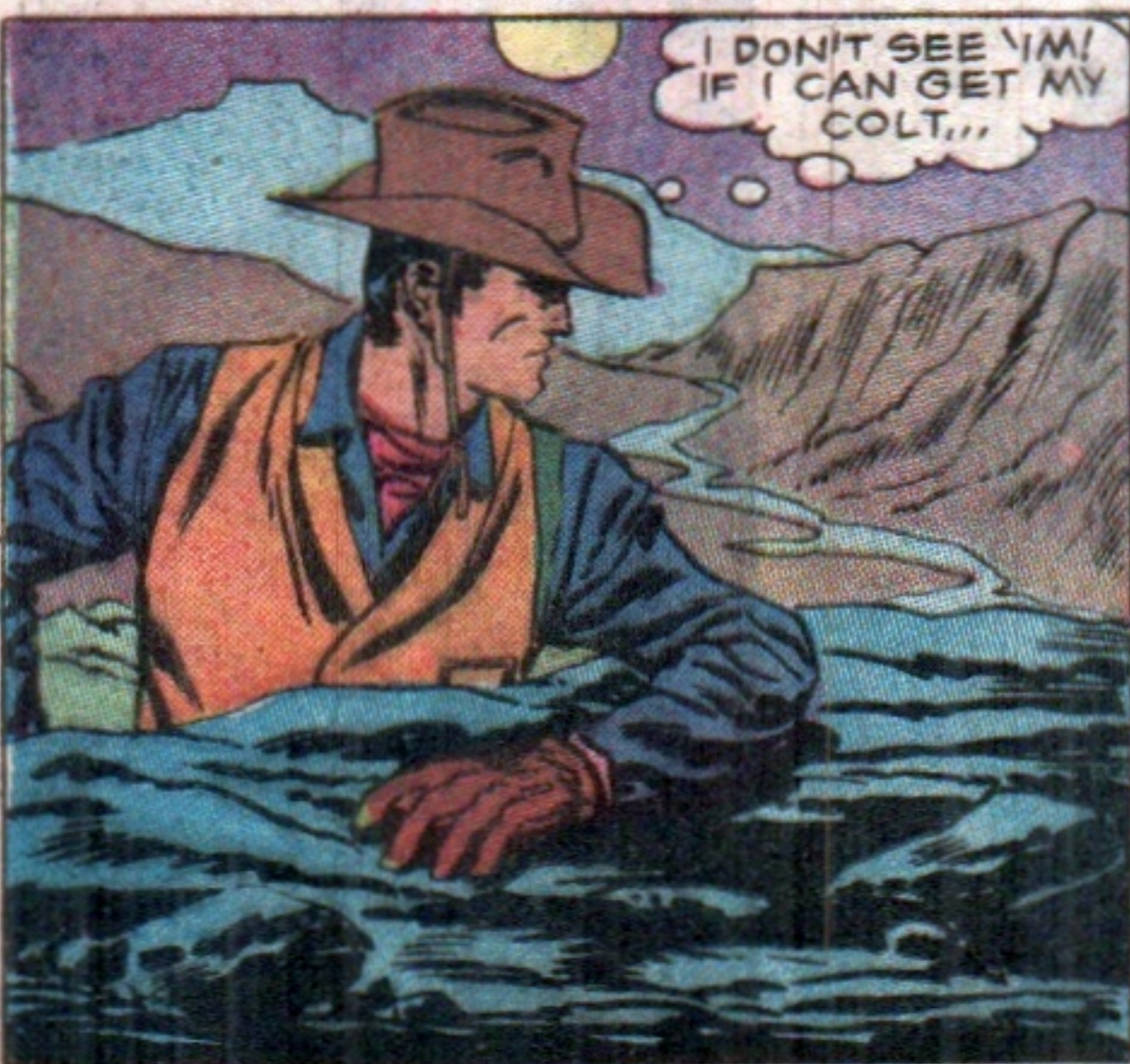
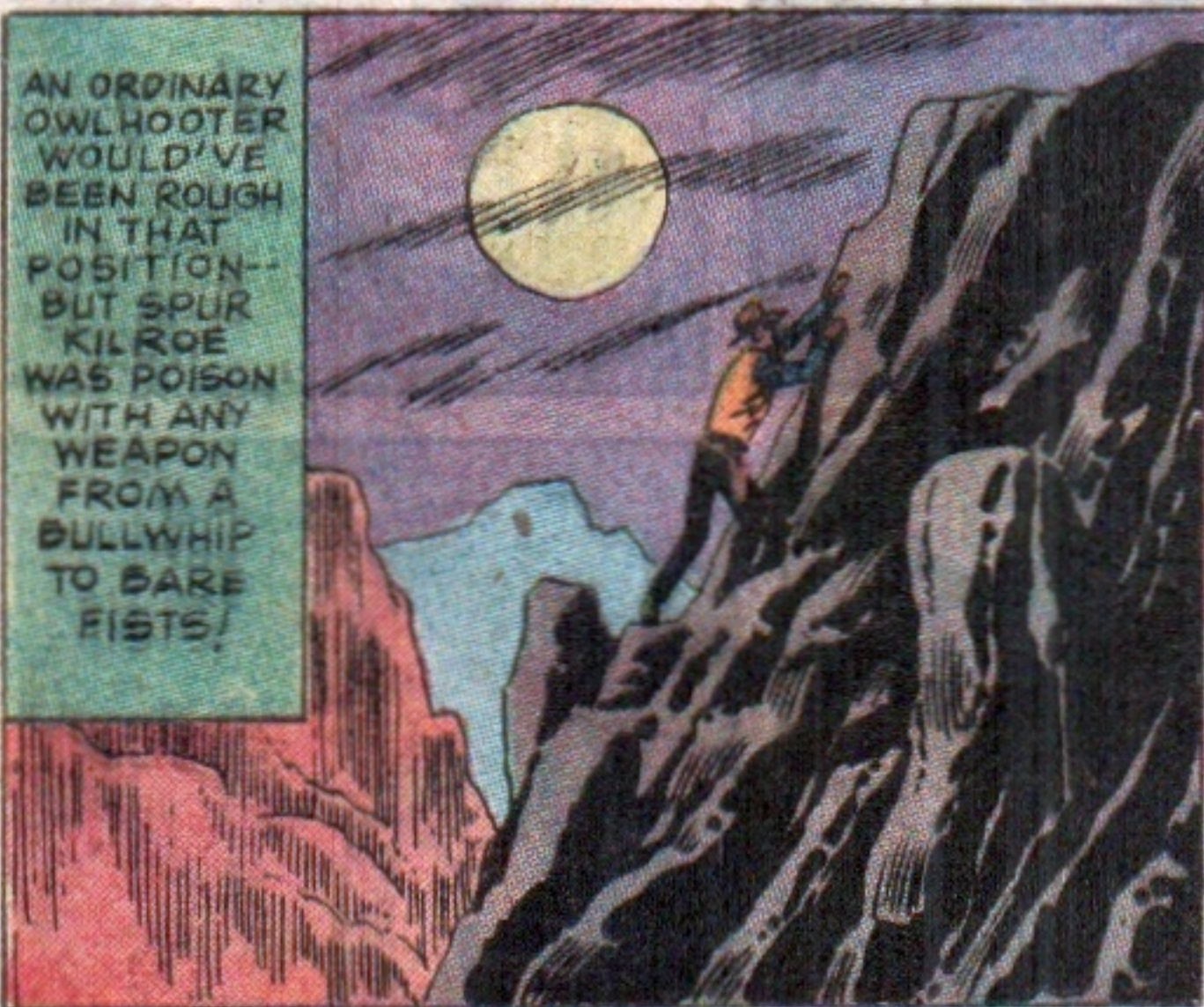
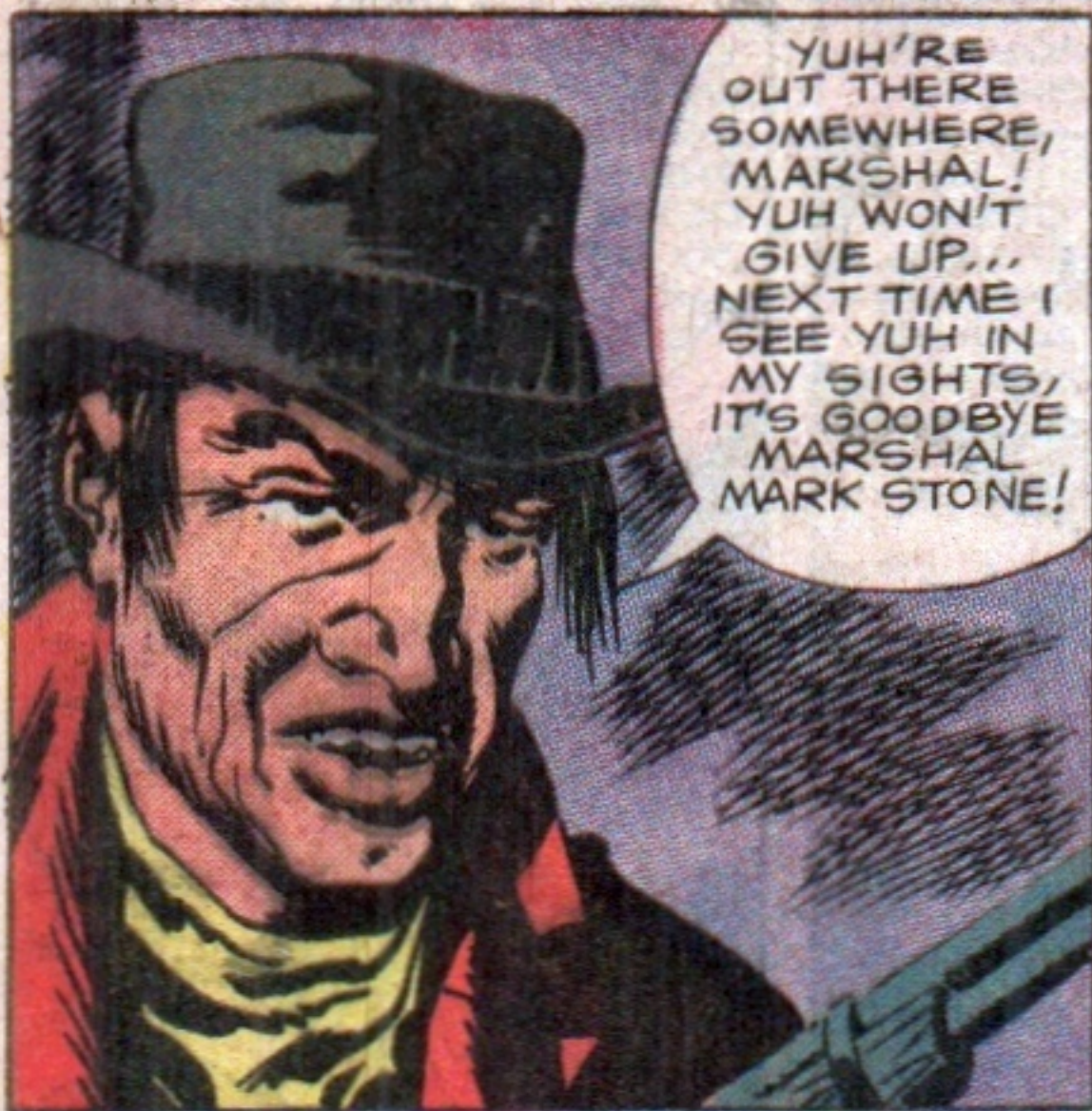
I CAN'T GO BACK DOWN-- I'D BREAK MY NECK! THE ONLY WAY DOWN IS UP!



IF THAT OWL-HOOTER'S ALERT, HE'LL HEAR THE BIRD! I'M GAMBLIN' MY LIFE HE'S RELAXED UP THERE, FEELIN' REAL SAFE, WAITIN' FOR HIS PARD!



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I HAD TO KEEP TALKIN'— I KNEW KILROE INTENDED TO PUT A BULLET IN ME! IF I WAS LUCKY, I'D GET A SMASHED SHOULDER! IF NOT...



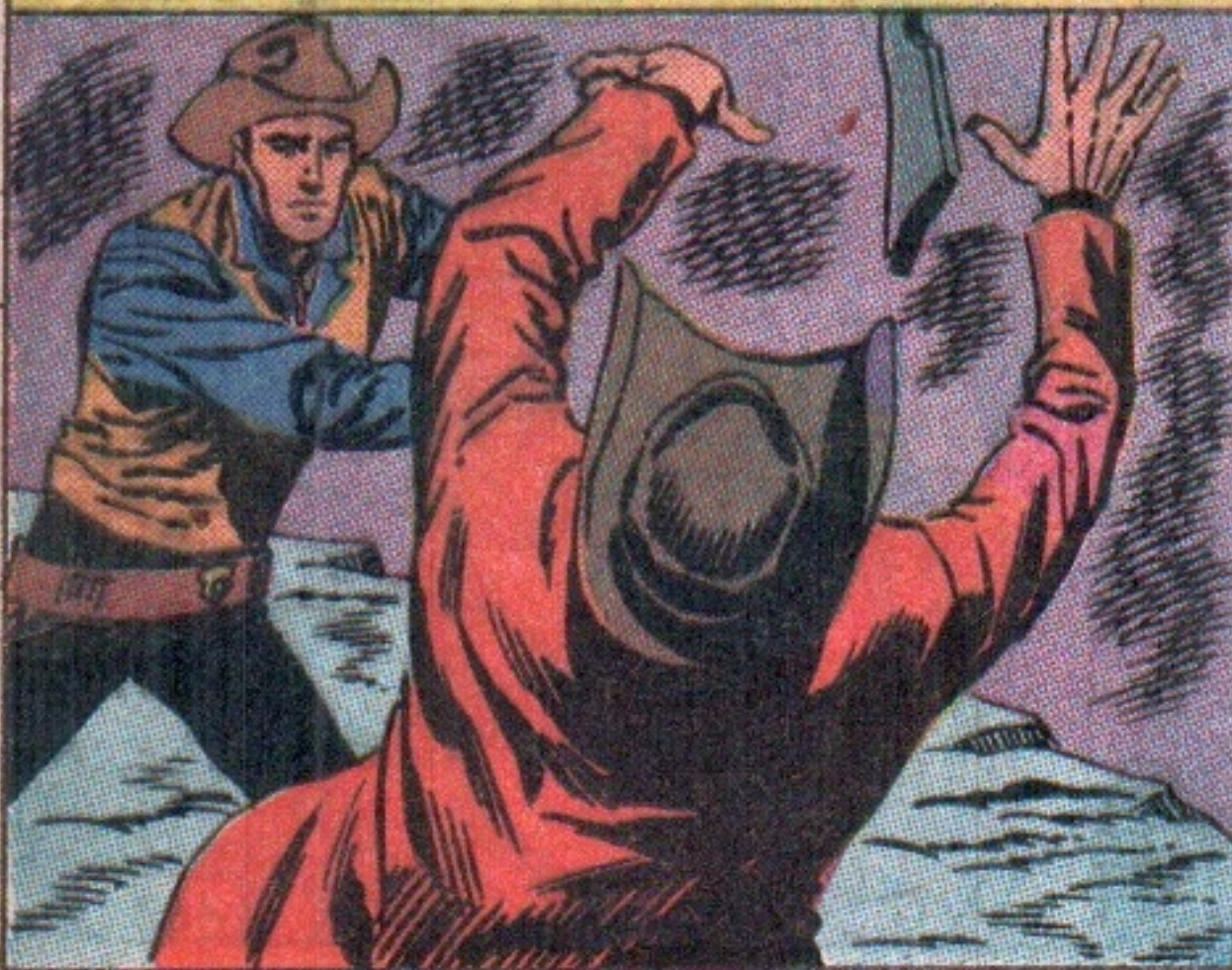
LET'S MAKE A DEAL, KILROE!

WHY SHOULD I? I'M HOLDIN' THE TOP HAND!

NOT ALL THE CARDS, KILROE! IF I RUSH YUH, YUH'LL GET ME-- BUT I'LL PROBABLY CARRY YUH OVER THE EDGE WITH ME! MAKE THE DEAL!



I MOVED TOWARD HIM A LITTLE-- ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM BACK UP! HIS SPURS GRATED ON ROCK, THEN CAUGHT! HIS STUMBLE WAS ENOUGH!



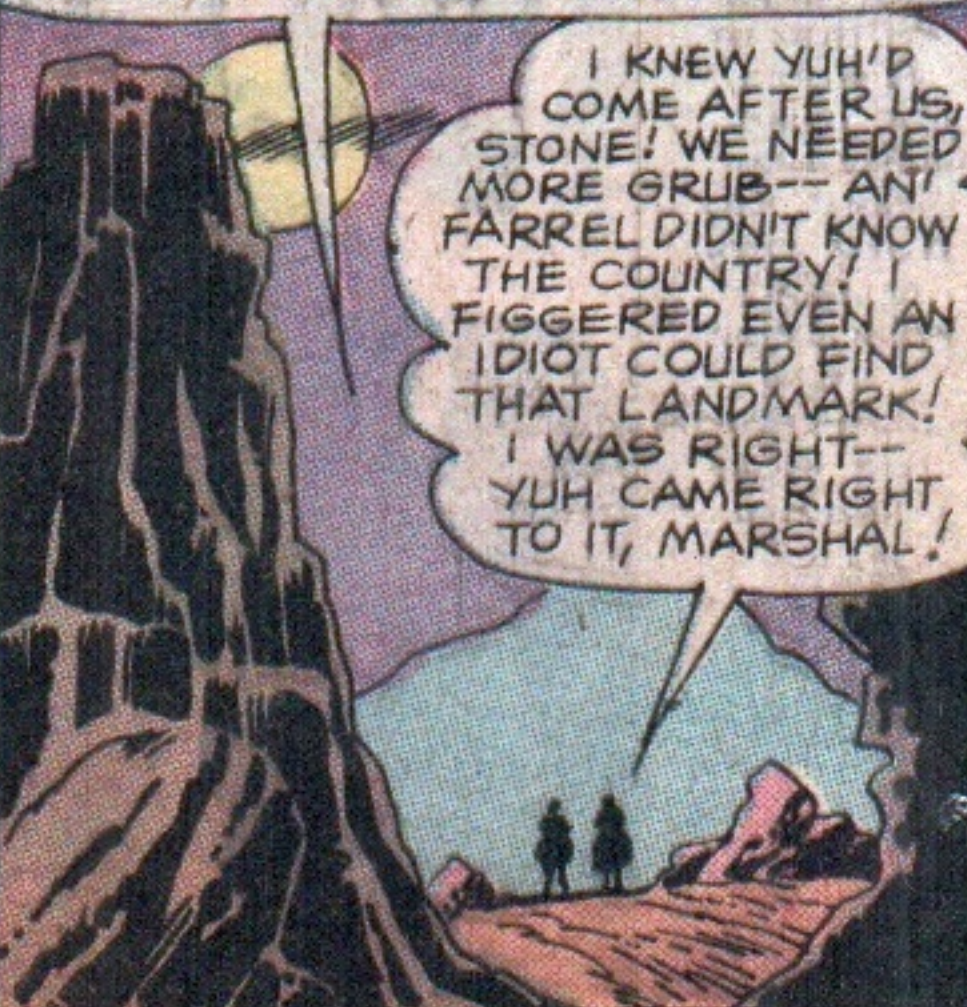
BLAST YUH, I'M FALLIN'!

I GOT YUH, KILROE! YOU C'N RELAX NOW!



HE HAD THE MONEY CACHED WITH HIS SADDLE AT THE BASE OF NEEDLE ROCK! AS WE RODE AWAY, I ASKED HIM ABOUT THAT RENDEZVOUS...

HOW COME YUH MADE NEEDLE ROCK YORE MEETIN' PLACE, KILROE? HOW COME YOU AN' MUSH FARREL SPLIT UP?



I KNEW YUH'D COME AFTER US, STONE! WE NEEDED MORE GRUB-- AN' FARREL DIDN'T KNOW THE COUNTRY! I FIGGERED EVEN AN IDIOT COULD FIND THAT LANDMARK! I WAS RIGHT-- YUH CAME RIGHT TO IT, MARSHAL!

BUT THINGS JUST DIDN'T WORK OUT THE WAY YOU PLANNED, KILROE! YOUR PARTNER'S WAITIN' FOR YOU AT A WELL-KNOWN LAND-MARK-- JAIL!



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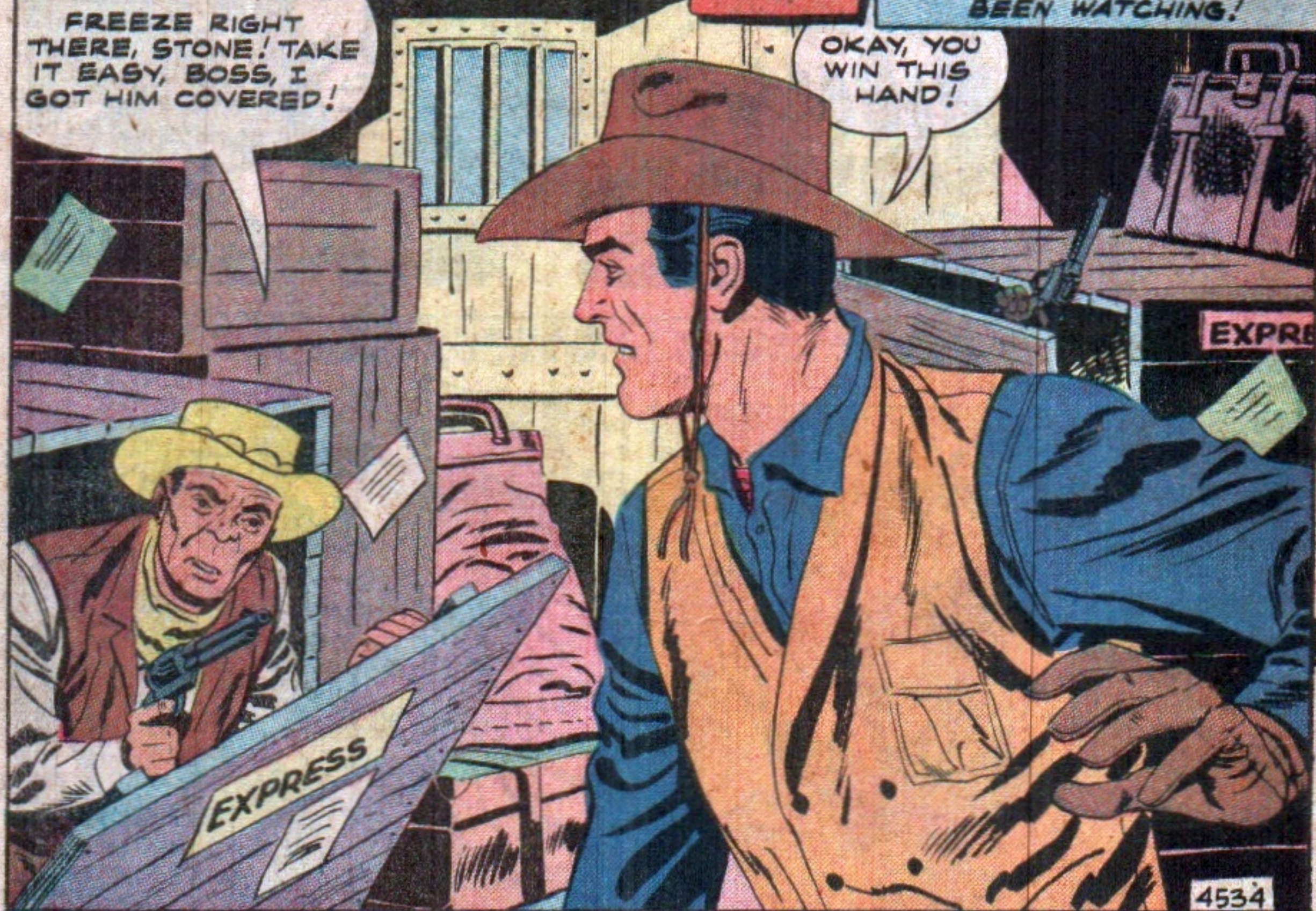
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GOLD IS NEVER SAFE

THE SIXTEEN SOLID GOLD INGOTS IN THE MAIL CAR WERE PROPERTY OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT! NO ONE EXPECTED TROUBLE ON THE SHORT RUN INTO DENVER BUT I HAD MY ORDERS--I DIDN'T LET ANYONE GET ANYWHERE NEAR THE CAR BEFORE WE LEFT! THE TROUBLE, WHEN IT CAME, WAS FROM A PLACE I HADN'T BEEN WATCHING!

FREEZE RIGHT THERE, STONE! TAKE IT EASY, BOSS, I GOT HIM COVERED!

OKAY, YOU WIN THIS HAND!



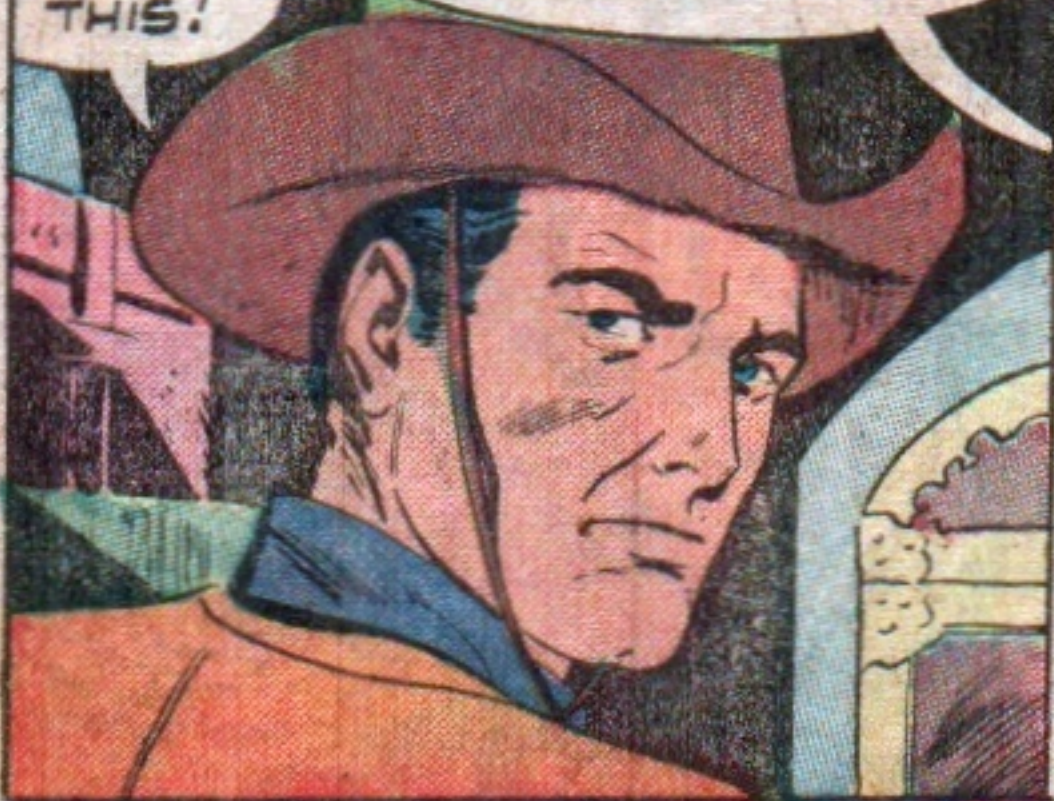
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THIS IS GOVERNMENT GOLD, MISTER! YUH WON'T BE ABLE TUH RUN FAR ENOUGH OR FAST ENOUGH TUH GET AWAY WITH THIS!

SHUT UP, STONE! WE WON'T RUN-- THERE WON'T BE ANY WITNESSES WHEN WE LEAVE!

MARK STONE DIDN'T SEE THE SECOND MAN-- HE WAS BEHIND HIM! HE SAW HIS GAUNT SHADOW, THE SILHOUETTE OF THE LIFTED GUN, THEN... HE SAW NOTHING!

BLAM!

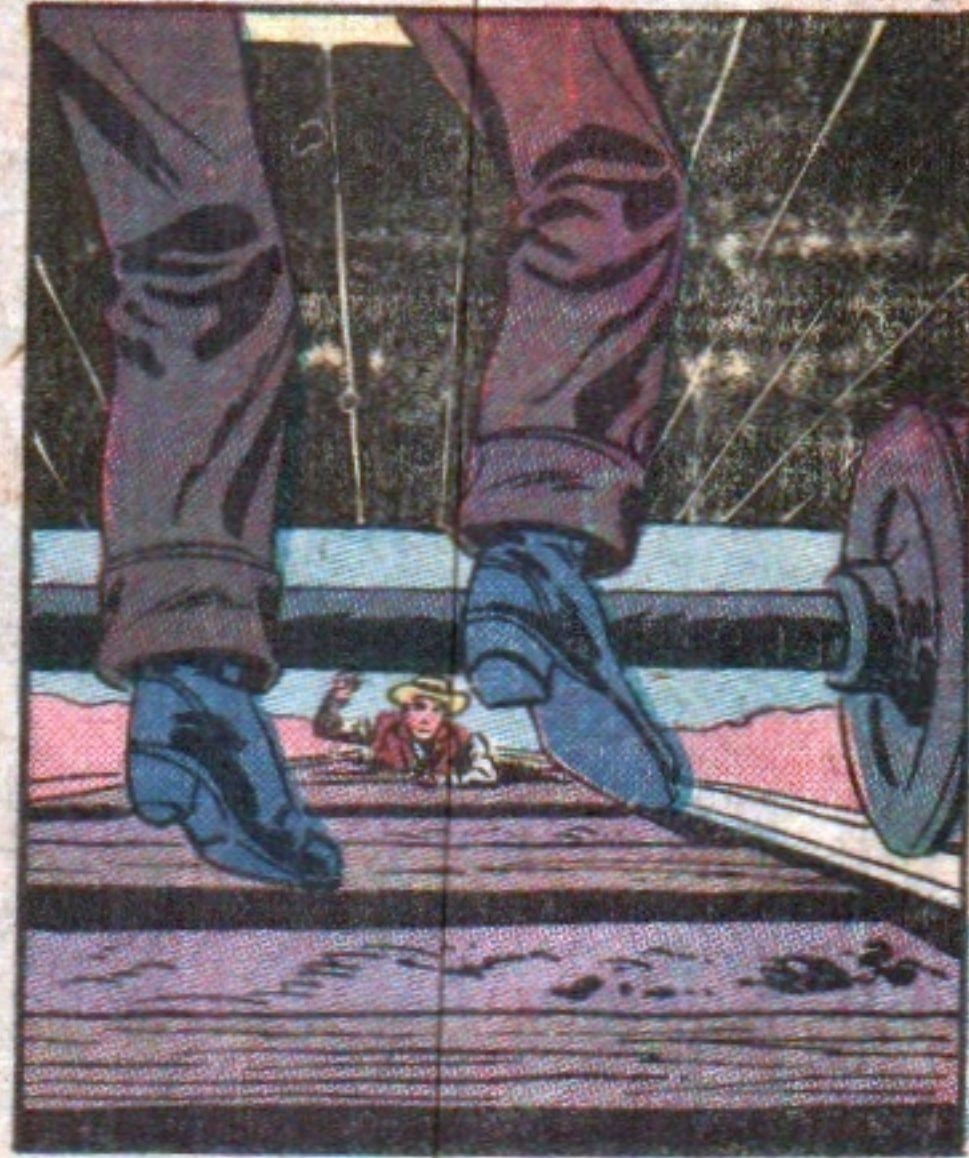


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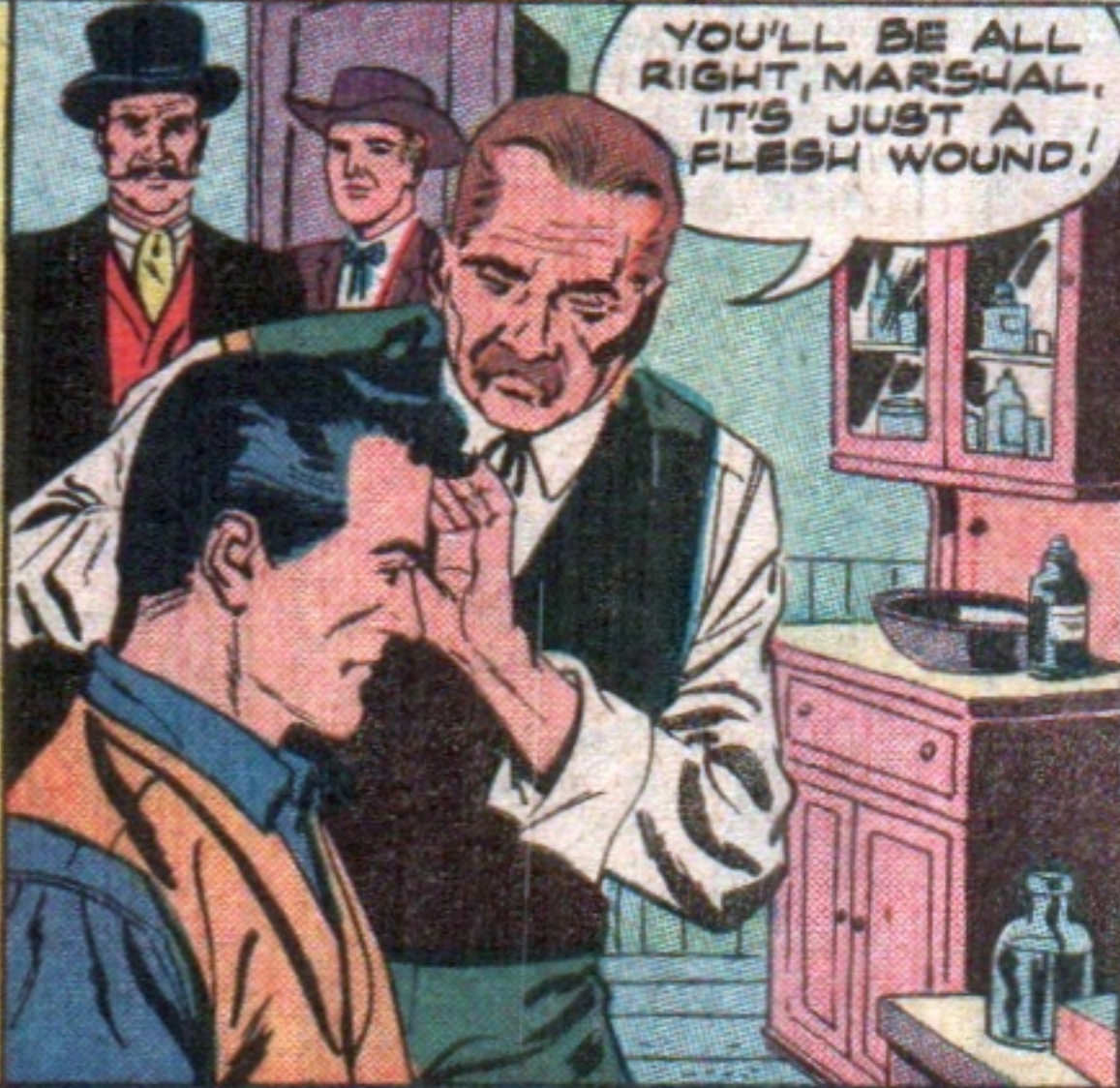
THE TWO MEN HAD IT WELL PLANNED-- THE DOORS WERE LOCKED FROM THE OUTSIDE AND INSIDE--THEY CUT A HOLE IN THE EXPRESS CAR FLOOR!

I JUST DROP 'EM THROUGH TUN THE ROADBED, BOSS?

CORRECT--THEN, WE DROP THROUGH! IN ONE MOMENT, WE'LL BE SLOWING DOWN FOR THE SWITCH-POINT! IT'LL BE SAFE FOR US THEN!



IT WAS THAT SIMPLE-- THEY RAN BACK FOR HORSES TIED NEARBY, FOUND THE INGOTS AND... VANISHED! MARK STONE WAS FOUND AT DENVER WHEN THEY OPENED THE SEALED CAR!



YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT, MARSHAL. IT'S JUST A FLESH WOUND!

YOU LET THEM GET AWAY WITH MY INGOTS, STONE!

LOOK, MR. GOFF, I DIDN'T LET ANYONE GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING-- AND I DON'T AIM TO IN THE FUTURE! I WAS SHOT, THAT'S ALL I KNOW!



HOW'D THEY DO IT, JOHNNY? I REMEMBER THEY BUSTED OUT OF CRATES IN THE CAR-- HOW'D THEY GET THE GOLD OUT?

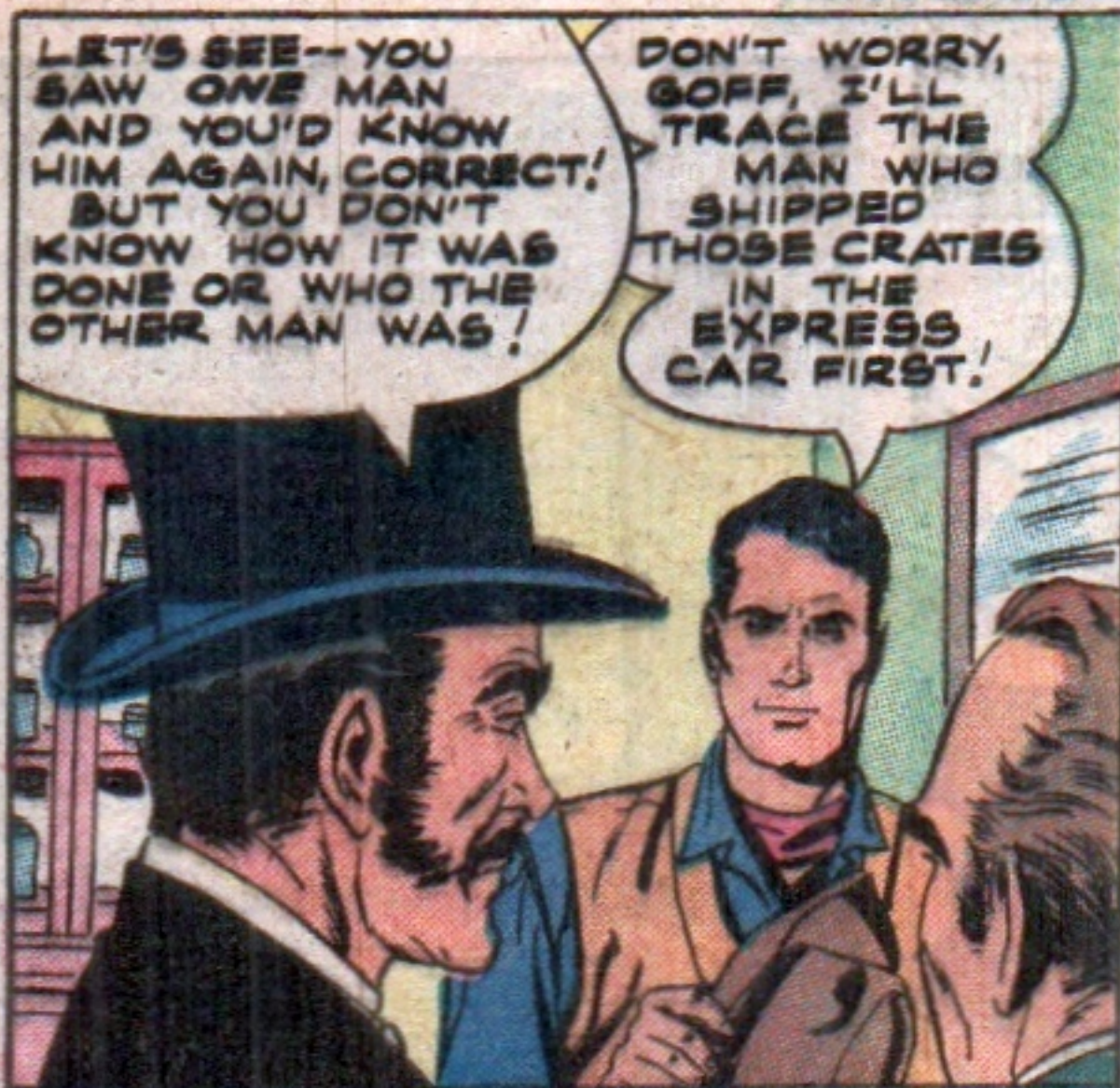
THEY DROPPED IT THROUGH THE FLOOR, THEN DROPPED OUT AFTER IT! NO ONE SAW THEM BUT YOU! DID YOU RECOGNIZE THEM!



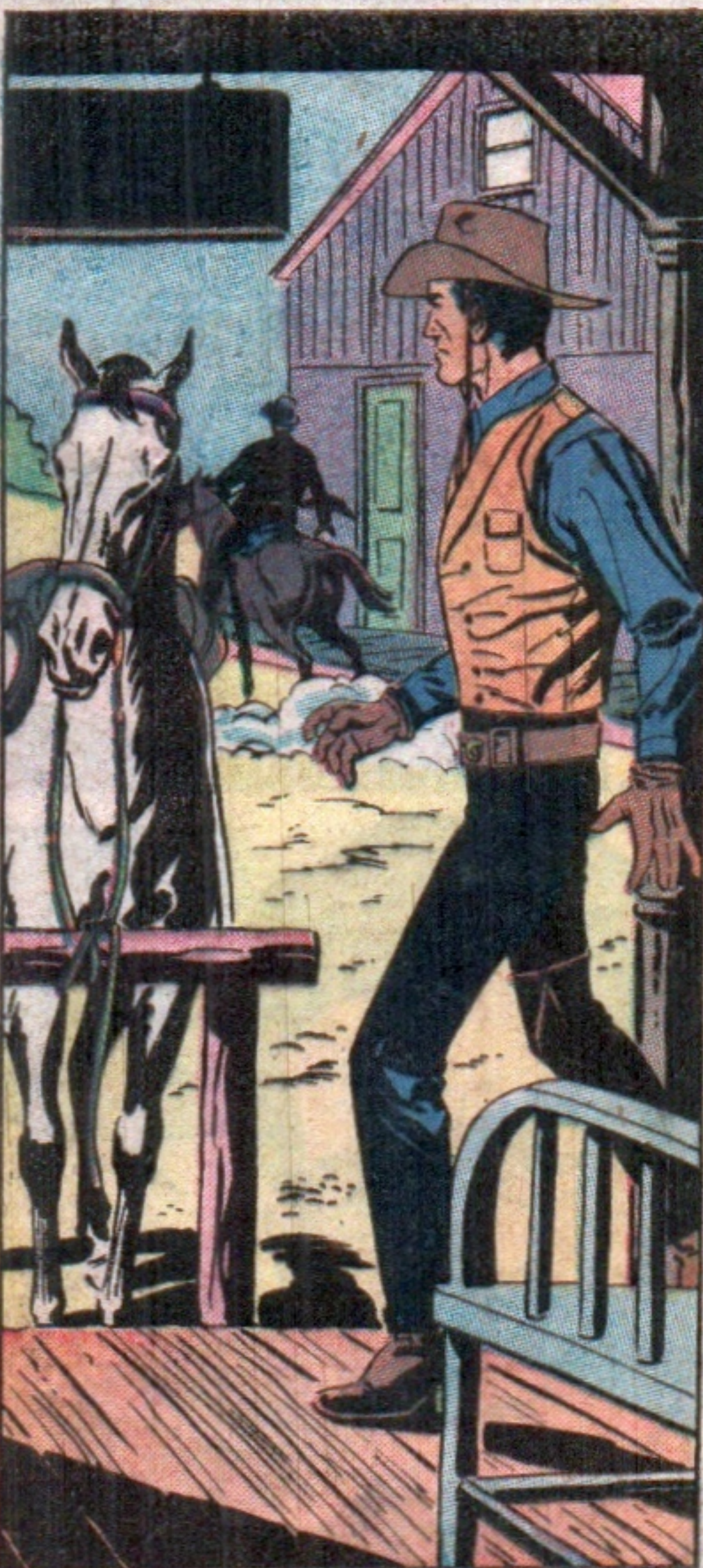
I'LL KNOW 'EM WHEN I SEE 'EM, JOHNNY! I'LL GET 'EM-- NO MATTER WHO THEY ARE!



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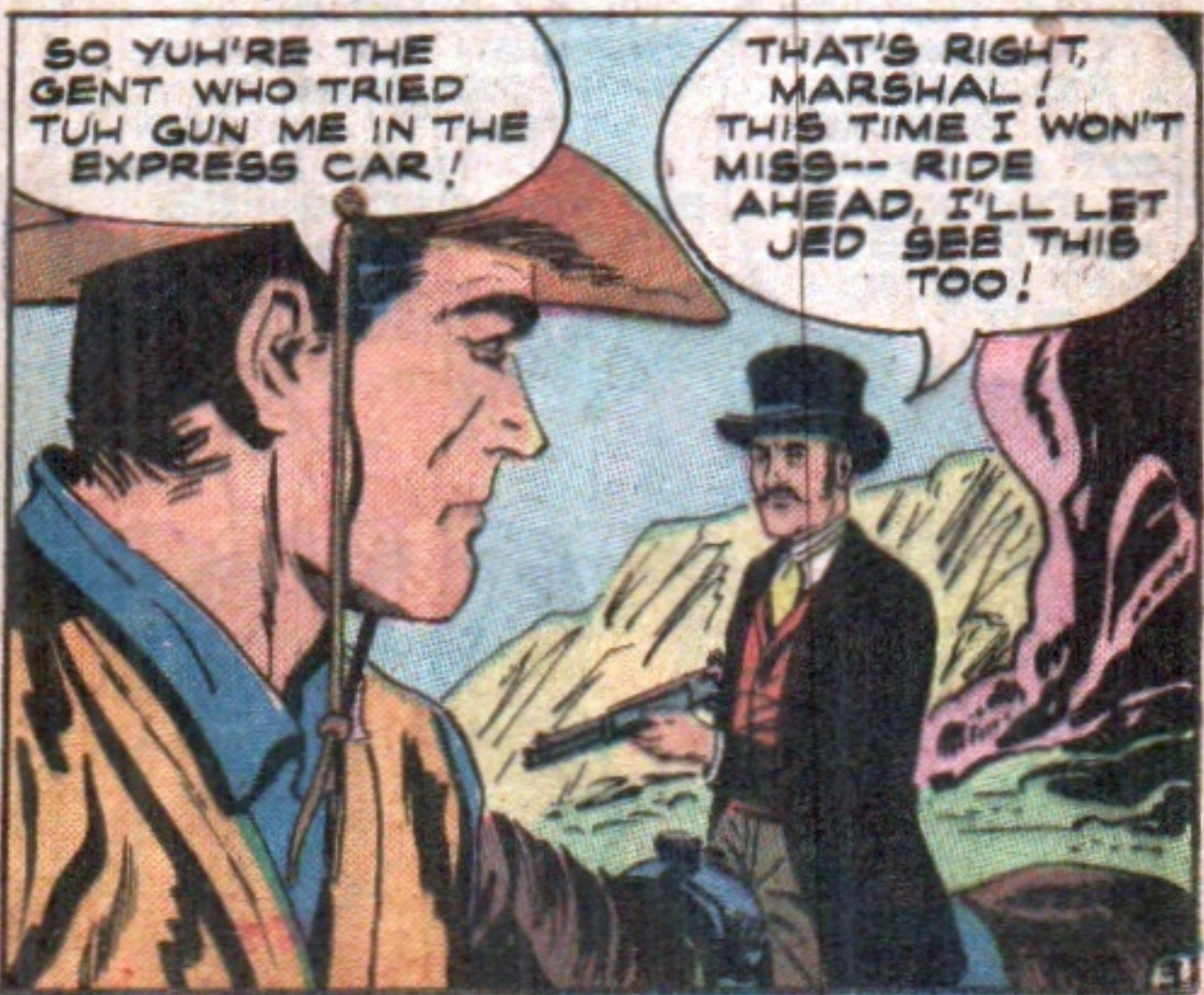
HE SAW GOFF'S FACE CHANGE-- THEN THE DENVER BANKER TURNED AND HURRIED AWAY! U.S. MARSHAL STONE HAD A HUNCH--



LATER... HE'S HEADIN' BACK IN THE DIRECTION WHERE THE TRAIN ROBBERY HAPPENED-- THINGS ARE SHAPIN' UP FAST!



THE MARSHAL RODE FAST-- HE HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING THAT GOFF BACK-TRACKED AND WAS WAITING BESIDE HIS TRAIL WITH A WINCHESTER!



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IT'S THE LAWMAN!
I THOUGHT!

I MISSED IN
THAT CAR,
JED! THIS
TIME, WE
BOTH MAKE
SURE!



HE'LL SHOOT YUH DOWN, JED! IN TOWN,
THEY KNOW YUH WERE IN ON THE
ROBBERY--I TOLD 'EM! GOFF'S GONNA
GET ME OUTA THE WAY, THEN HE'LL
GET YOU! NO WITNESSES THEN, AN'
THE GOLD'S ALL HIS!

THE
MARSHAL
DIDN'T
KNOW
THAT
JED HAD
BEEN
THINKING
THE
SAME
THOUGHTS
--HE
READ
TROUBLE
IN HIS
EYES AND
ROLLED
OUT OF
THE
SADDLE
AS BOTH
MEN
OPENED
FIRE!



KRAK! POW!



HE
TRIED
TO
KILL
ME!

AFTER YUH SHOT AT HIM,
GOFF! YUH'LL BOTH LIVE--
I'LL PATCH YOU UP, THEN
TAKE YUH TUH TOWN! THE
INGOTS ARE
WITH JED'S
GEAR
OVER
THERE!



LATER...

I'M GLAD GOFF IS WHERE
HE WON'T DO ANY HARM
FOR A WHILE! STEALIN'
FROM HIS OWN BANK WAS
SMART-- BUT YOU JUST
CAN'T OUTSMART
JUSTICE!

END

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I was given a federal warrant for the arrest of Dave Malvern, wanted for robbing the mails in St. Louis, on June 12th 1887! Six days later, after authorized travel by train, I arrived in Bear Creek and went to the Sheriff's office to present my credentials and get whatever help I needed...

**FUGITIVE
IN POWER**

MY NAME IS MARK STONE, U.S. MARSHAL! I'VE GOT A WARRANT FOR DAVE MALVERN! HE'S HERE IN TOWN, SHERIFF!

YUH DON'T SAY! WHAT DO YUH WANT ME TUH DO? RUN OUT AN' HOGTIE HIM FOR YUH?

WHAT'S YORE HANDLE, MISTER? I LIKE TUH REMEMBER ACCOMMODATIN' FELLAS LIKE YOU!

FRANK BUDD'S THE NAME, STONE! I'LL SEE YUH AROUND...

I'LL SEE YUH OVER THE BARREL OF A .45!

IF YOU DECIDE TO COOPERATE, BUDD, I'LL BE IN THE HOTEL RESTAURANT!

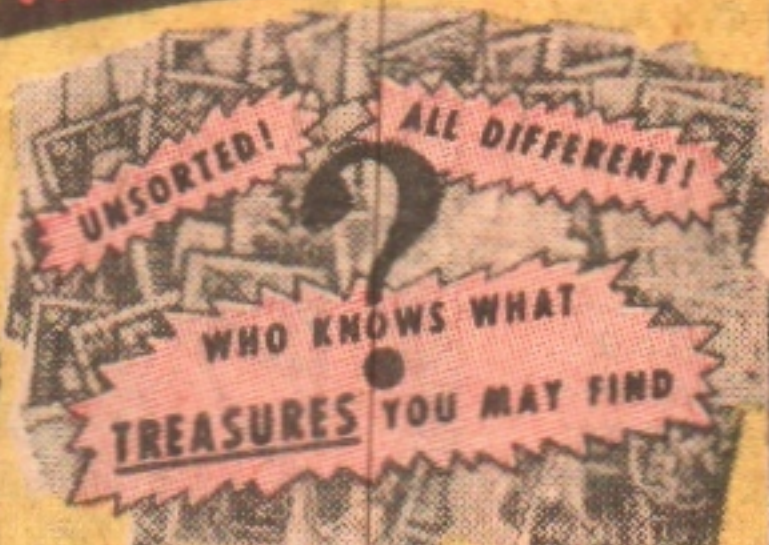
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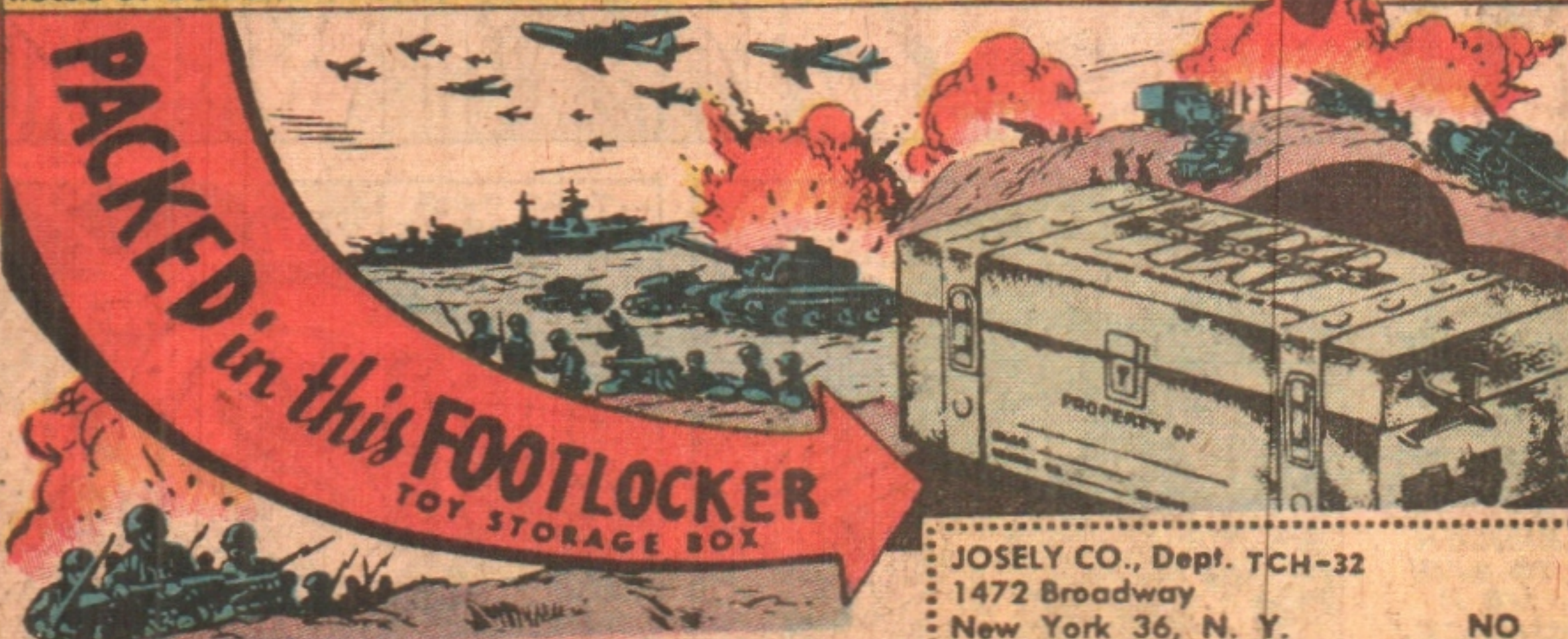
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I KNEW FRANK BUDD WASN'T THE DEPUTY SHERIFF-- I COULD SMELL THE OWLHOOT TRAIL ON HIM THE MINUTE I SAW HIM! AND I COULD SMELL FEAR EVERYWHERE I WENT!



I'LL HAVE STEAK, POTATOES, AND PIE!

Y-YES, SIR!

MALVERN'S WHOLE GANG IS IN TOWN -- HE'S PLANNING SOMETHING BIG! THE JOKER IN THE KITCHEN WITH THE GUN ON ME IS A REAL GUNHAWK!



THERE YOU ARE, SIR!

THANK YOU! I LIKE MY STEAK WELL DONE THOUGH, MISS!



DON'T BOTHER--I'LL TELL THE COOK HOW I WANT IT DONE!



I GAMBLERED WHEN I DID THAT -- I WAS HOPING THE GUNSLINGER WOULD BE CONFUSED ENOUGH TO GIVE ME A CHANCE!

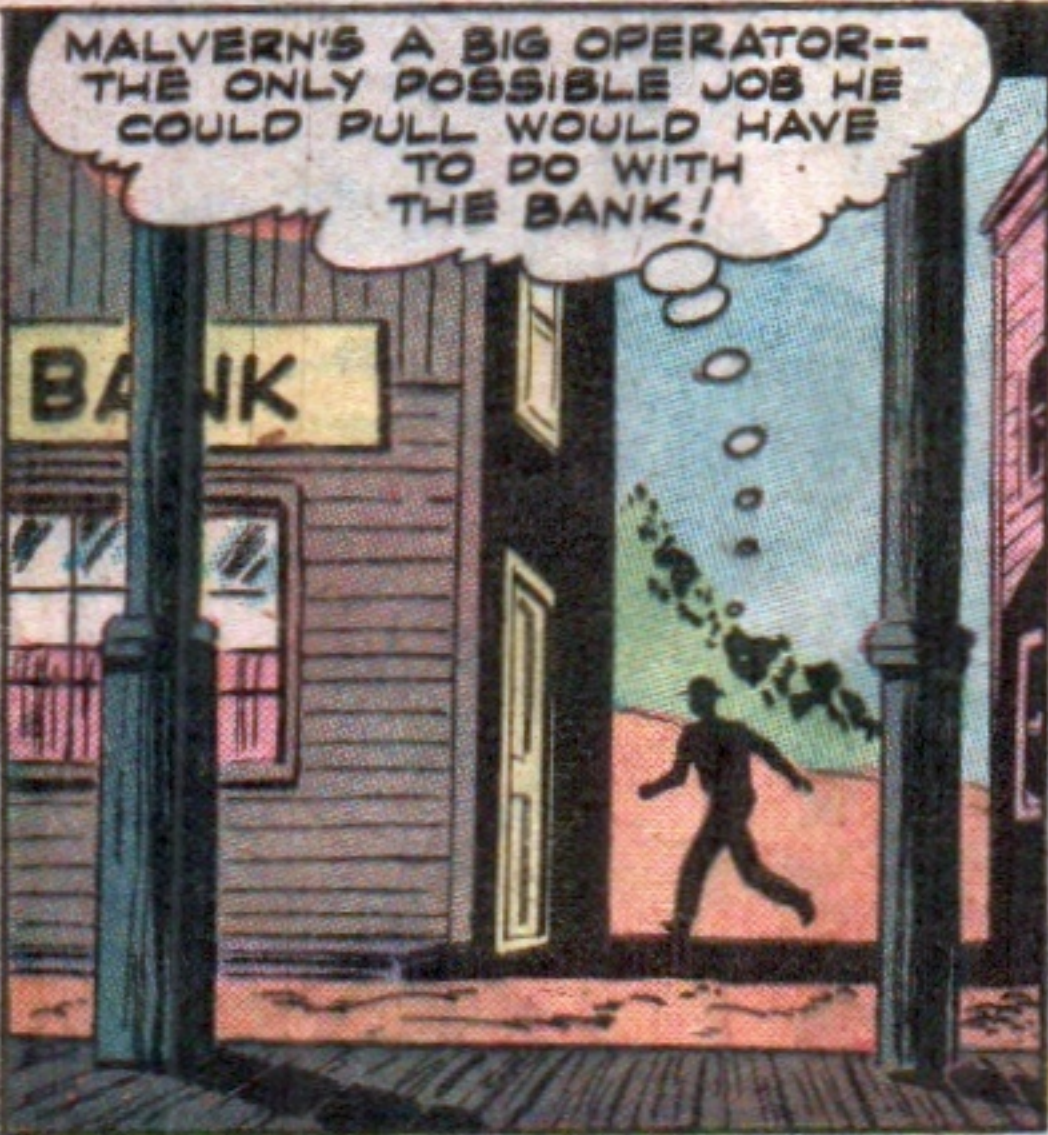
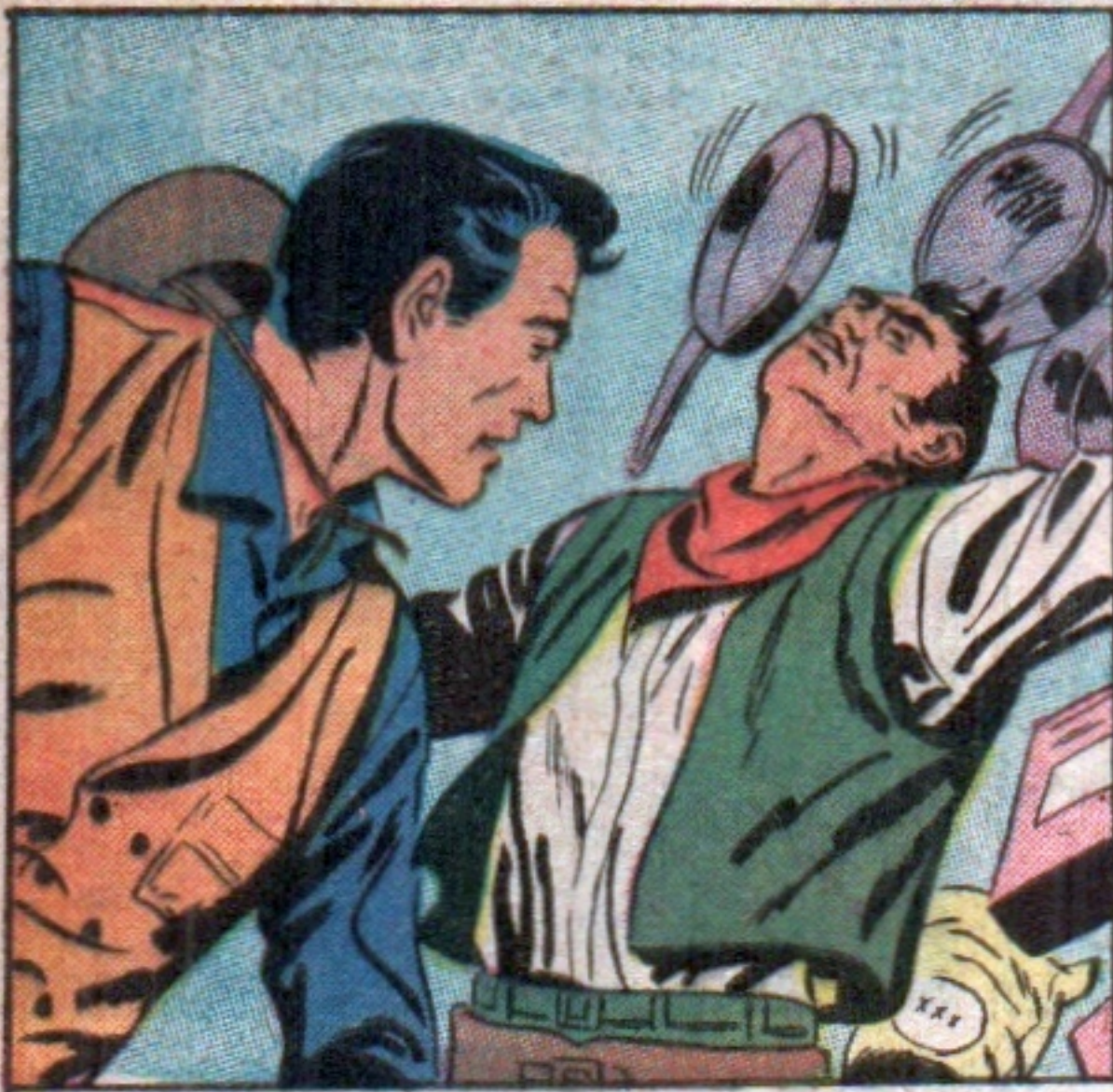


HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, LAWMAN!

I JUST WANT TO TELL THE COOK...



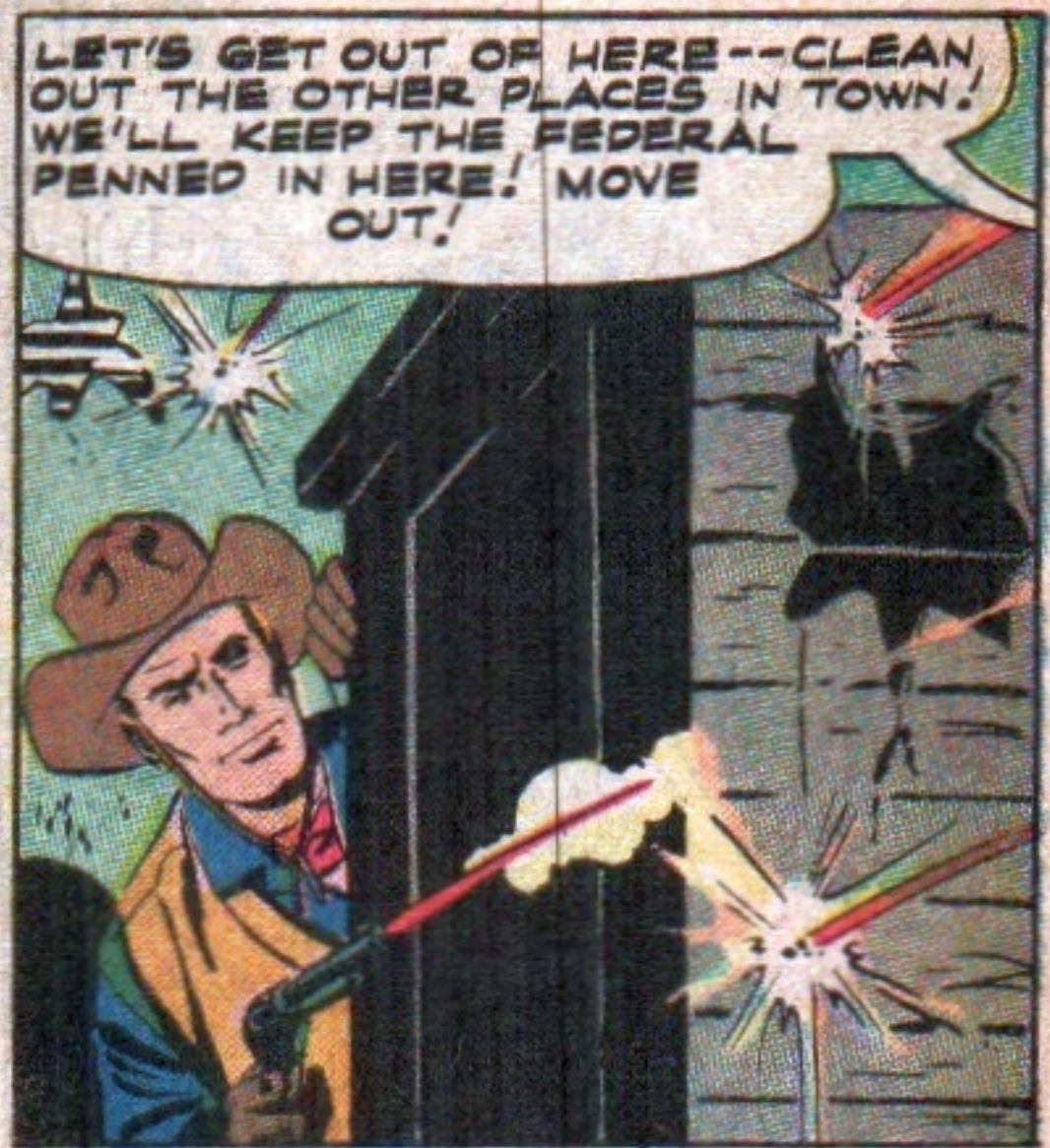
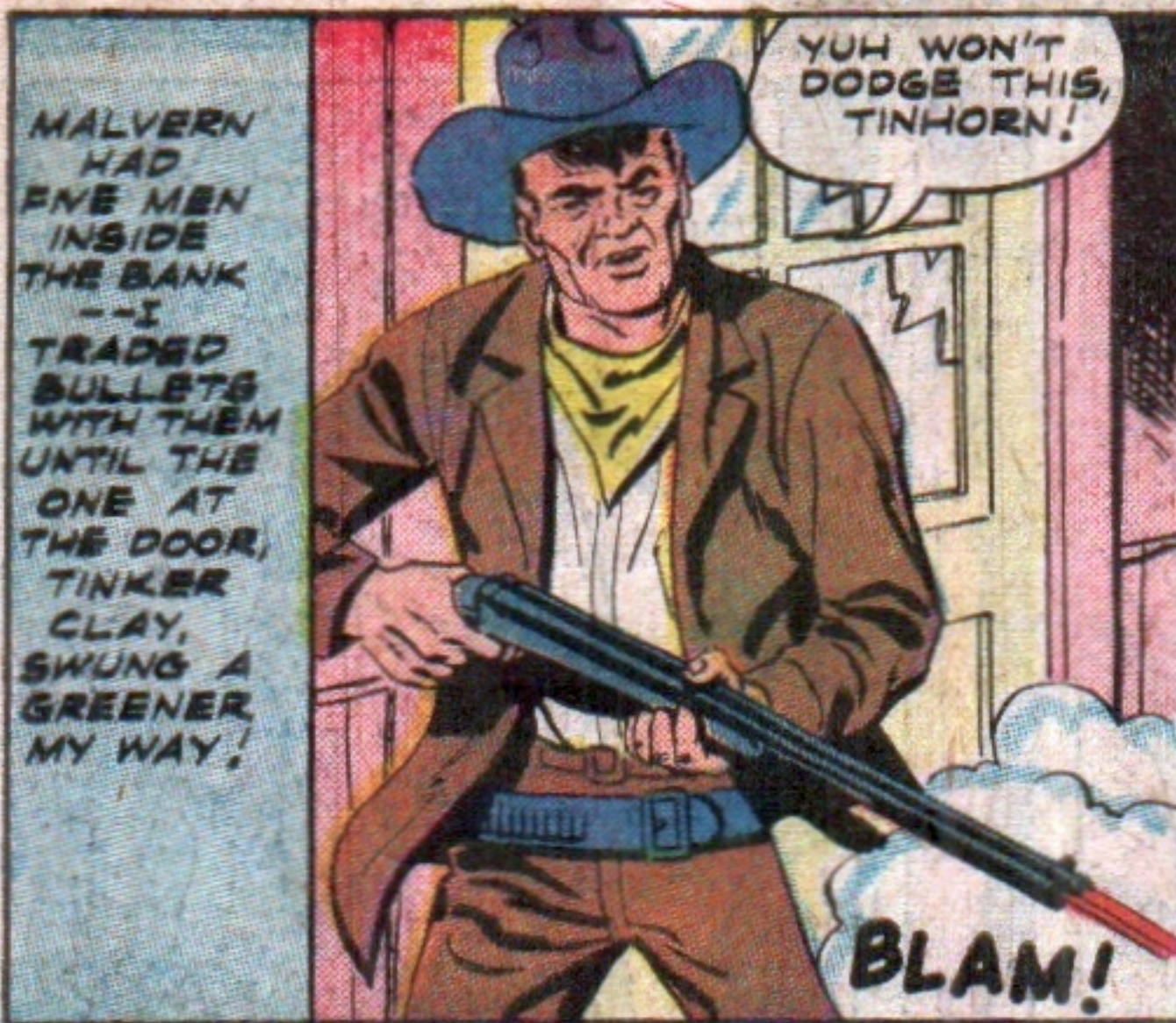
...THAT THIS STEAK ISN'T FIT TUH EAT!



THE BANK WAS QUIET TOO--I LEARNED LATER THAT MALVERN'S GANG HAD BEEN IN TOWN ALL MORNING! MALVERN HIMSELF WAS AT THE VAULT WITH THE BANK PRESIDENT JOHN D. MACKLIN!



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WHAT I DID NEXT LOOKED FOOLISH-- BUT I'D PLANNED IT CAREFULLY! I STOOD UP AND FACED THE ENTIRE GANG...

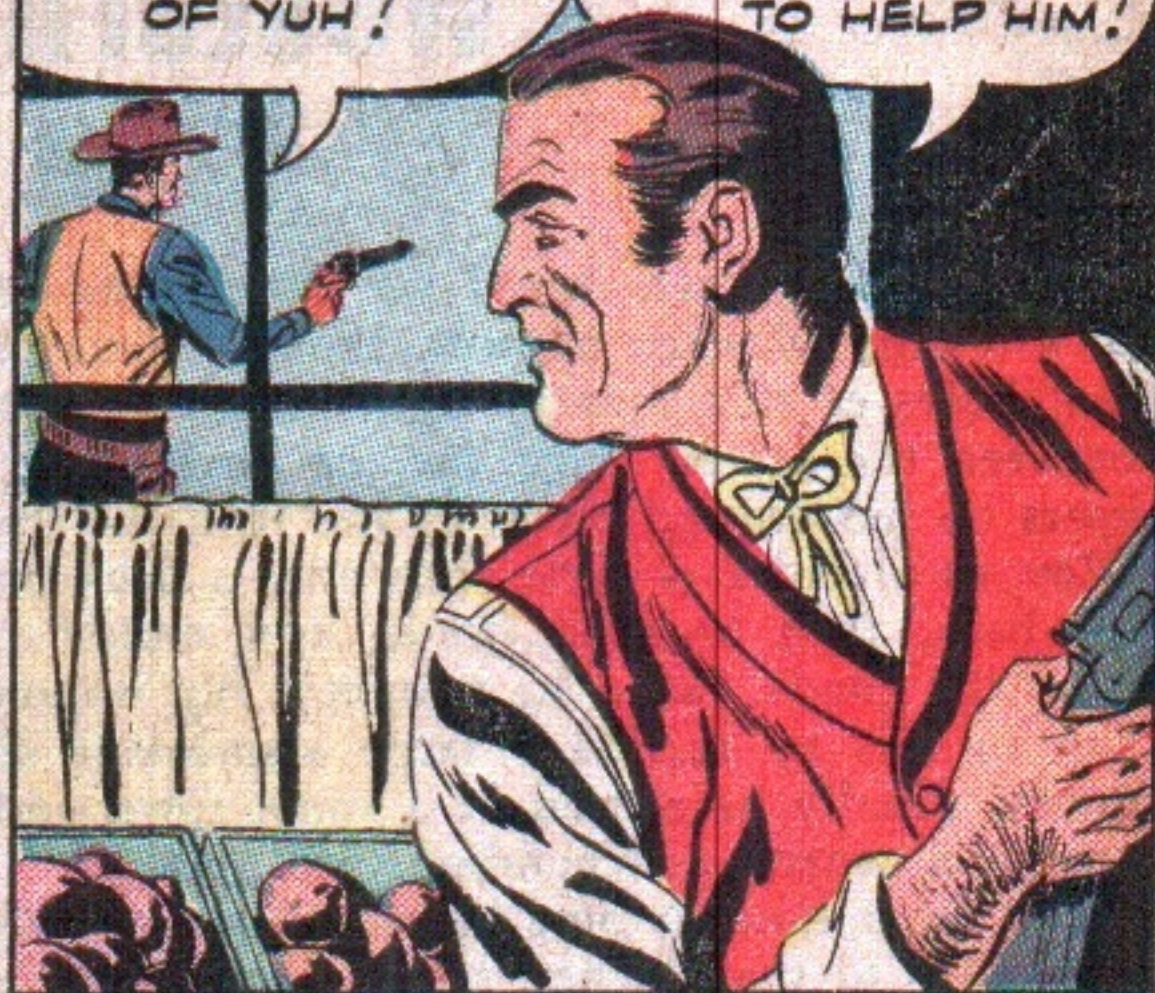
HEY--IT'S THE U.S. MARSHAL! WATCH IT--IT MIGHT BE A TRAP!

WHAT ARE WE WAITIN' FOR? GET HIM!



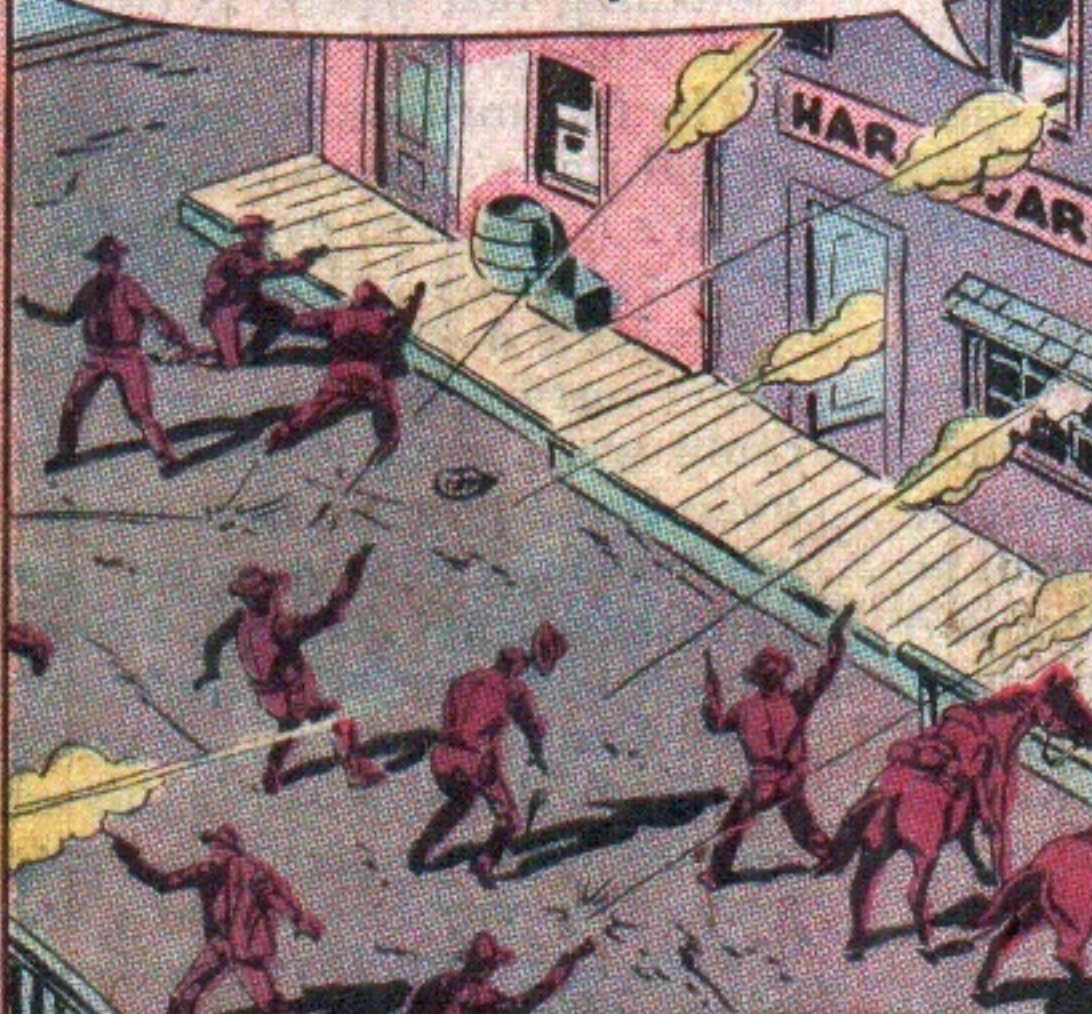
YOU'RE ALL UNDER ARREST! DROP YORE GUNS, ALL OF YUH!

I CAN'T STAND HERE AN' JUST WATCH! I'VE GOT TO HELP HIM!

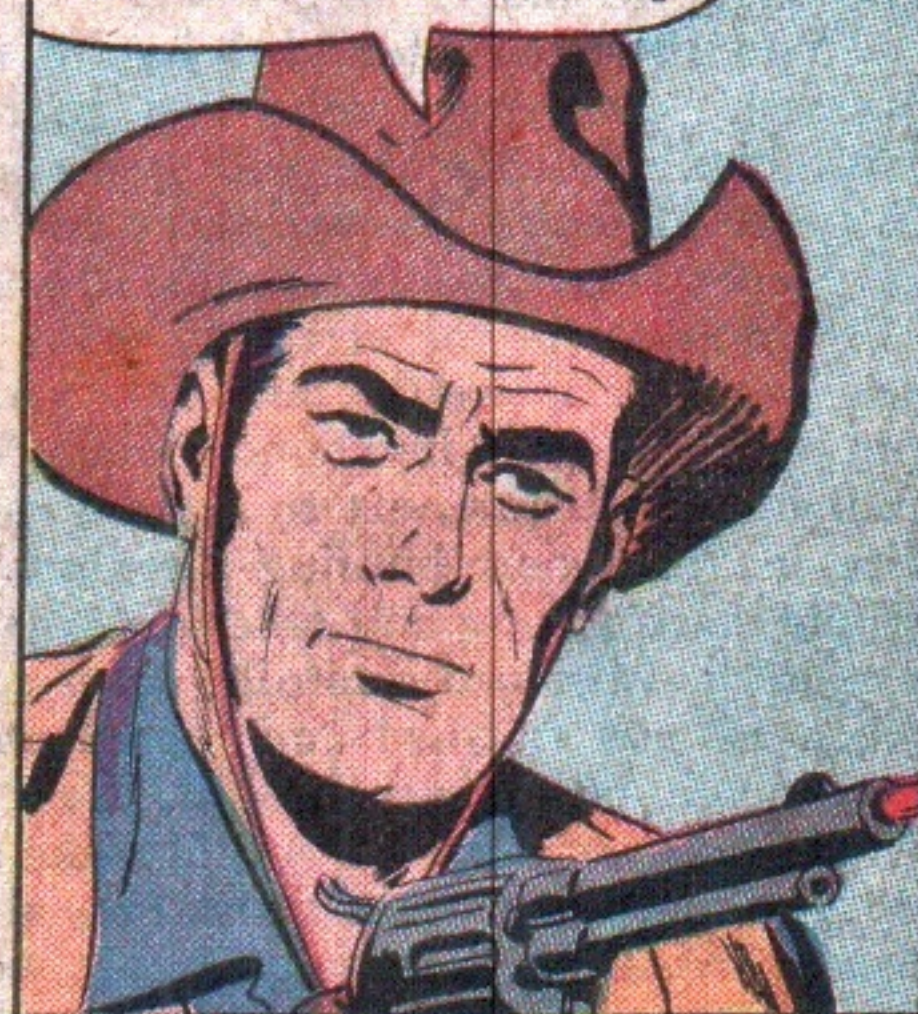


THERE WERE BRAVE MEN IN TOWN... MEN WHO HADN'T FOUGHT BECAUSE THEY HAD NO LEADER! MEN WHO WOULDN'T FIGHT FOR MONEY ALONE REACHED FOR HIDDEN GUNS WHEN THEY THOUGHT I WAS DOOMED!

LET THOSE OWLHOOTERS HAVE IT MEN!



IT WORKED--THEY'RE HELPIN' ME PLENTY!



YUH WERE ALL-FIRED LUCKY, MARSHAL! I HAD THIS TOWN SCARED GREEN TWENTY MINUTES AGO! ALL OF A SUDDEN, THEY TURNED INTO TIGERS!



IN MY LINE O' WORK, YUH HAVE TUH FIGGER, FAST AN' GAMBLE YO'RE RIGHT! I FIGGERED THEY WOULDN'T STAND BY AN' WATCH YUH SHOOT ME DOWN--AND I FIGGERED RIGHT!



Western Pioneer

About thirty years ago I was introduced to an old time Western pioneer. He had come to the shores of this country right after the War between the States. Then for the next twenty years he has crossed much of the lands of the West as a trader — first with only a pack on his back, then he used horses and mules to carry his goods. Later, he bought a big wagon and in this he carried a large assortment of goods. Finally he settled in a small town and opened a general merchandise store.

But from time to time he would make periodic trips to the ranches, settlers, and even to the Indians to sell or trade his wares. Definitely he had an interesting story to tell so an offer was made to me.

"You listen to what dad has to say," said his son, "then make notes and go over them with him. Actually you will ghost a book of Western Memoirs. We will work out a schedule of payment that should be satisfactory."

I didn't accept the offer at once, I waited to see just how it would turn out. I visited the old time pioneer in his country home. We would pull up two chairs next to a good comfortable fire in the wood burning fireplace, then he would start talking and take some incident and expand it. I listened carefully, made some notes when he was finished and then I went home and typed out what he said. Next visit we would go over it and he would make additions. After a period of one month, we all realized exactly what the situation was. It would take about three years of work to get the book into shape. Actually I think the old man wanted somebody to listen as he relived the past. In addition, I had other obligations that had a first claim on my time.

"You are free to use any of the material I dictated," he told me before we parted as good friends. "Those were the good old days. When you have met them all from Billy the Kid to Buffalo Bill, and from General Custer to General Sherman, you have seen a lot of the West."

What was unusual about the life of John Franklyn? Many men helped to create the West in a variety of ways, his contribution was small but his philosophy of life was wonderful: He NEVER CARRIED A GUN! He believed that if you were nice and kind to people they would have to be the same to you. Now I know we can get into an argument about that point, but apparently it worked very well with Mr. Franklyn. He was known

as "Honest John" in the West.

He did have a knife but it was as a tool and not as a weapon. He could fix anything with his knife. He had a variety of experiences, so let us look at a few of them.

"I was only nineteen when I started with a pack on my back to do my trading. By that time, I had learned enough of the English language to make my way anyplace. I hadn't the slightest idea that in the course of the next two decades I would speak Spanish and most of the Indian tongues in the territory.

I wandered into an Indian camp, just as they were eating, and I was invited to share the food — my first meal of dried buffalo meat, with something that passed as corn, then I took my pack and opened it.

The Indians looked at my goods and selected several items. Then a rather fierce brave spoke:

"We no have to pay or trade, we take goods, if he object we kill him."

I wasn't a bit afraid. I pointed out that I didn't carry a revolver on my person that they could see. I came in peace and expected to be treated as a peaceful man. In addition, it would be very foolish to take my goods away. If I gave them good material, I would do so in the future. They needed a trader whom they could trust. One who did no tricks.

"He speaks wise words this white man," said their Chief. "He came in peace, he leaves in peace. We pay him and he comes again."

They gave me silver dollars. How did they get these dollars? They were part of the treaty payments made by the United States Government. That was my first sale and I made many more to that group of Indians as well as to others."

I wanted to know if he had any experiences with what we called "Bad Men of the West."

He laughed for a while and I realized it must be something funny. Then he told me the story.

"It happened in either 1879 or 1880. I'm not sure of the exact year, but it was during the period of drought. Cattle were dying on the range, work was hard for a cowboy to find, and consequently business was bad in the towns. I was out on the prairie with my wagon all alone, when a cowboy rode up to me just as I was preparing a meal.

"Come join me," I welcomed him.

He ate with me and was silent. I could sense he was eyeing me up and down figuring how

much money I had with me. Before we retired that evening I spoke to him.

"All I have in cash just now consists of ten silver dollars. You look as though you are dead broke, take half of them, either as a gift or a loan. You must be as hard up as I am in these tough days."

In the morning he was gone when I awoke and I found a note pencilled with just one word. "Thanks."

Now we go to the year 1892, I had my store established by that time. I needed a loan at the bank but the banker wanted security. A well dressed rancher apparently listening to what was being said walked right up to the banker.

"Lend him whatever amount he needs, my account is sufficient security."

"Of course, Mr. Wilford," replied the banker.

I guess I was just too dumbfounded to say anything. But, the rancher accompanied me outside and then from his pocket he took five silver dollars which he handed to me.

"I never knew your name," he apologized, "or the loan would have been repaid sooner. Who knows what might have happened to me had not our paths crossed? I now own the Double T Ranch, that's west of the river. So long as I am alive you have credit for anything you want."

You can read a lot about General Custer. I guess it is true that people either idolized him or detested him. Back in his days they had a peculiar system at the army posts. A man known as a Sutler got a concession, he was the only one who could sell goods to the soldiers. And he loaned them money also. But often his prices were very high as compared to those in town.

And if the soldiers didn't buy at the post, the Sutler would complain to the commanding officer. General Custer and his men were in the field and they spotted me with my wagon. Some soldiers came after me and took me to the General.

"You stay here alone and you'll lose your scalp!" he warned me.

"Who would take it?" I sort of innocently asked.

"Crazy Horse and his braves," was the reply.

"I visited Crazy Horse last week," I admitted.

"Sold him a lot of yard goods and he treated me very well. Even gave me an escort. He had heard about some bandits from across the border."

The General just didn't know what to say. But later in the evening I did a rushing business. Sold out almost everything I had with me in the wagon to his soldiers. The prices were fair.

"You ought to be a Sutler," said General Custer. "If you ever decide to settle in one place just contact me. I'll give you a recommendation you can use at Washington."

I want to make one thing very clear. I offered something to the General when I left him. He took it and insisted on paying me for it.

"A nice present for my wife when I get back to the post," was his comment. If he had lived I guess he might have been eventually head of the army, who knows?

Just one word about Billy the Kid. I met him — and didn't even know it was him. Three men were arguing with somebody who looked like a "youngster." I knew one of the men, Sam Gadney.

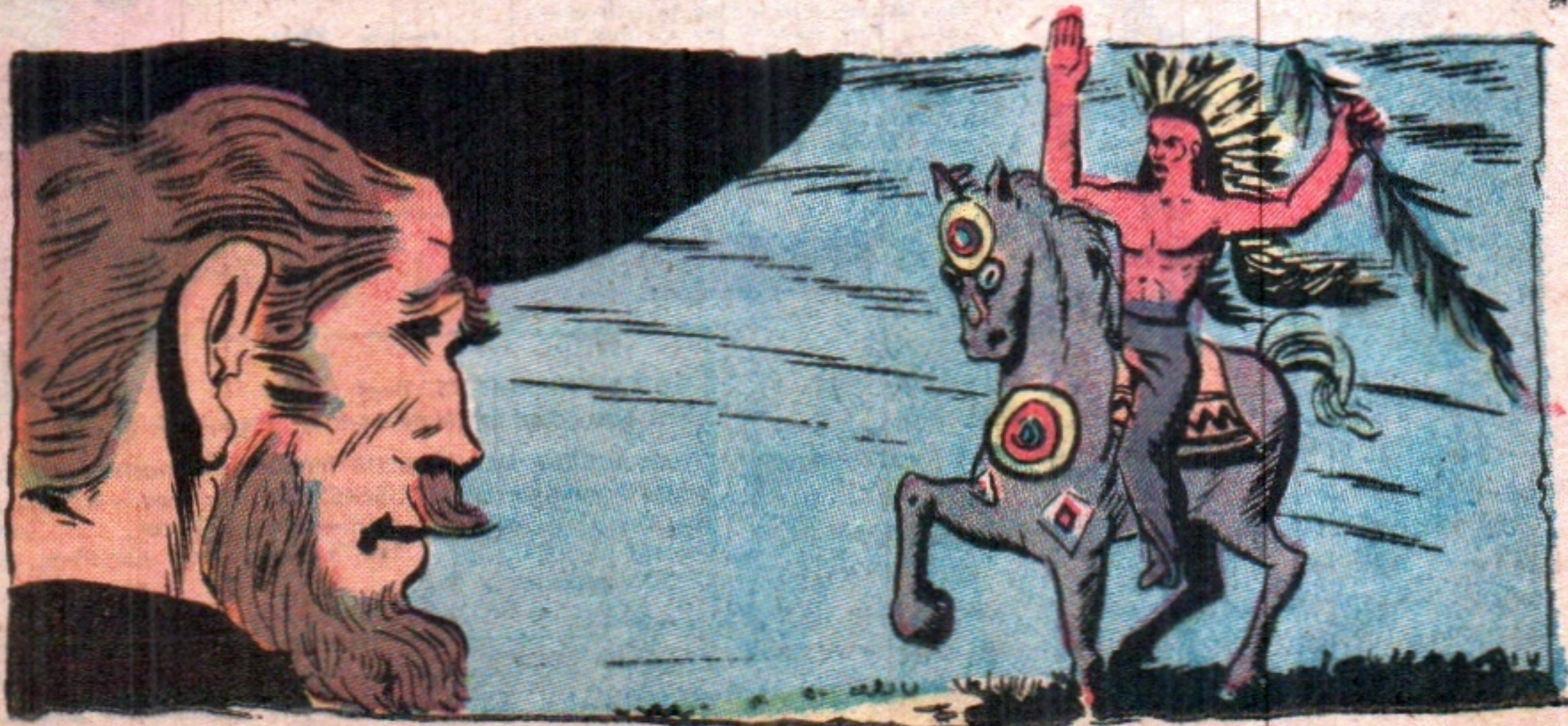
"Sam," I said, "You outnumber that kid. It isn't fair when the odds are against you. Anyway you know that yelling doesn't settle anything; it could only lead to gunplay."

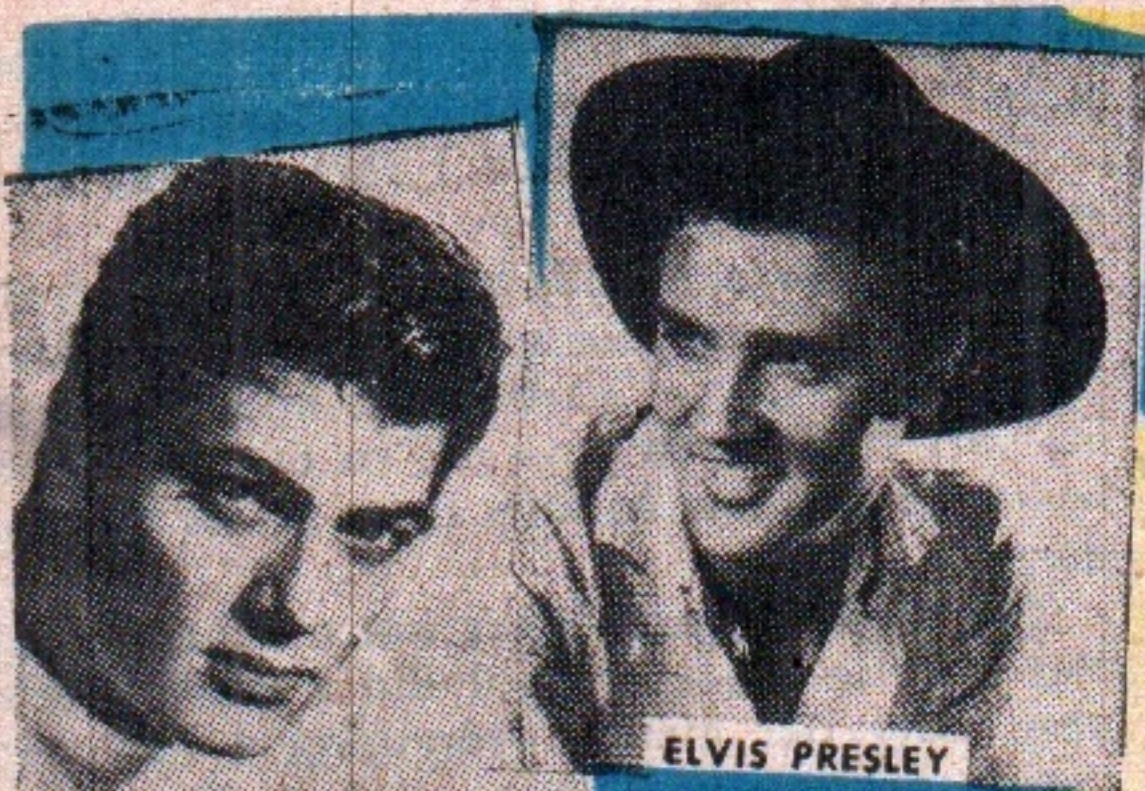
So they stopped. The Kid gave me a look with a peculiar smile and I went away. That evening Sam looked me up.

"We wouldn't have stood a chance if a fight had developed. Thanks, John, that was Billy the Kid."

Some time in the future I'll tell you more of the stories I got from this Western Pioneer.

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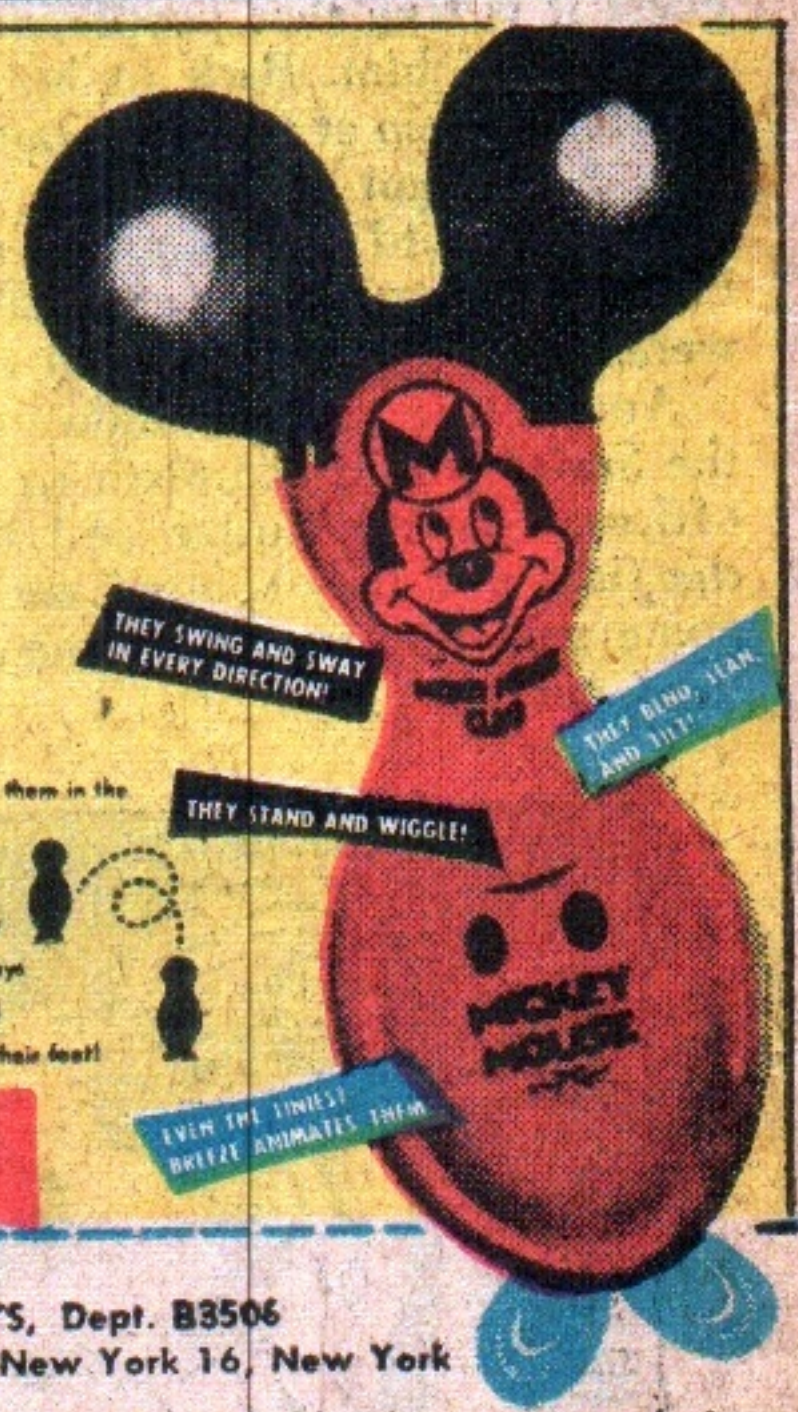


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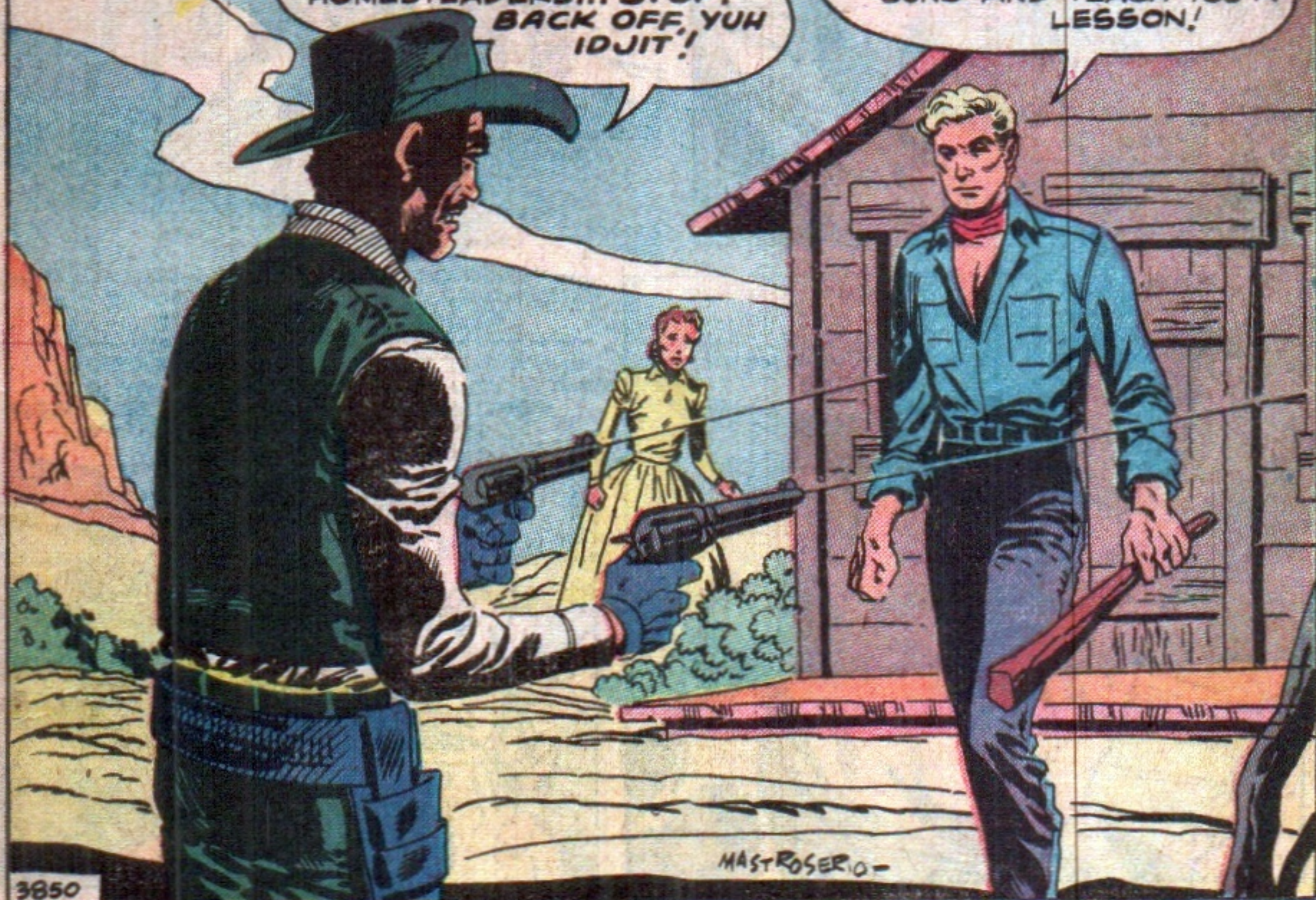
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RANGE HOG

MARL ANDREW'S TWIN COLTS HAD WON HIM LAND AND CATTLE--WHEN HE WANTED SOMETHING, GRASS OR BEEF, HE BACKED UP HIS DEMANDS WITH READY GUNS THAT NO MAN HAD EVER SUCCESSFULLY DEFIED! THEN, HE MET JONATHAN JONES... A MILD MAN WHO WANTED TO RAISE CORN AND MIND HIS OWN BUSINESS...

I SHOT UP YORE PLACE, JONES, I WARNED YUH TUH GET OFF THIS LAND! WE DON'T WANT HOMESTEADERS... **STOP! BACK OFF, YUH IDJIT!**

I'M GETTING MAD, ANDREWS! I DON'T BLUFF EASILY! I'M GOING TO TAKE THOSE GUNS AND TEACH YOU A LESSON!

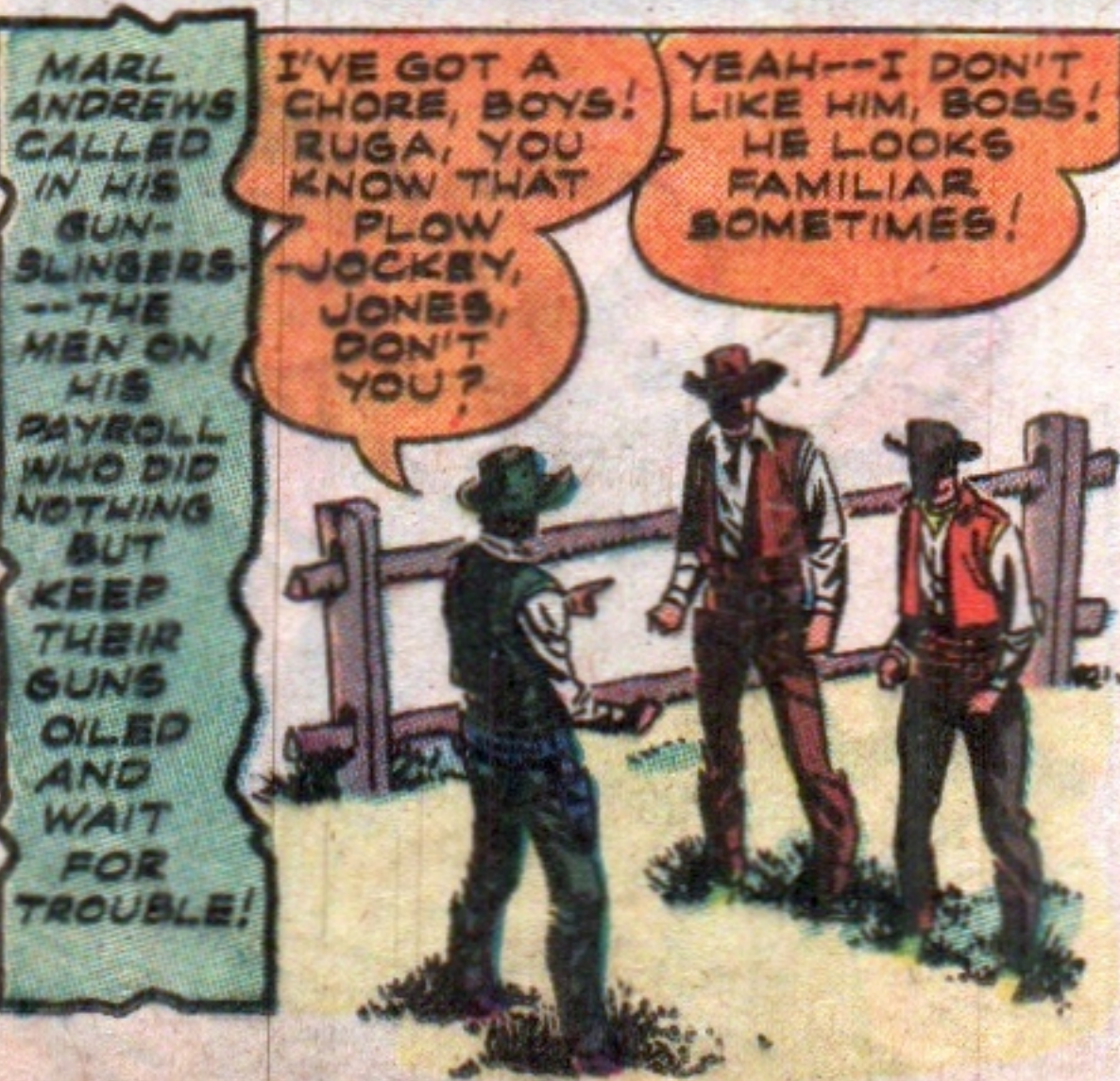
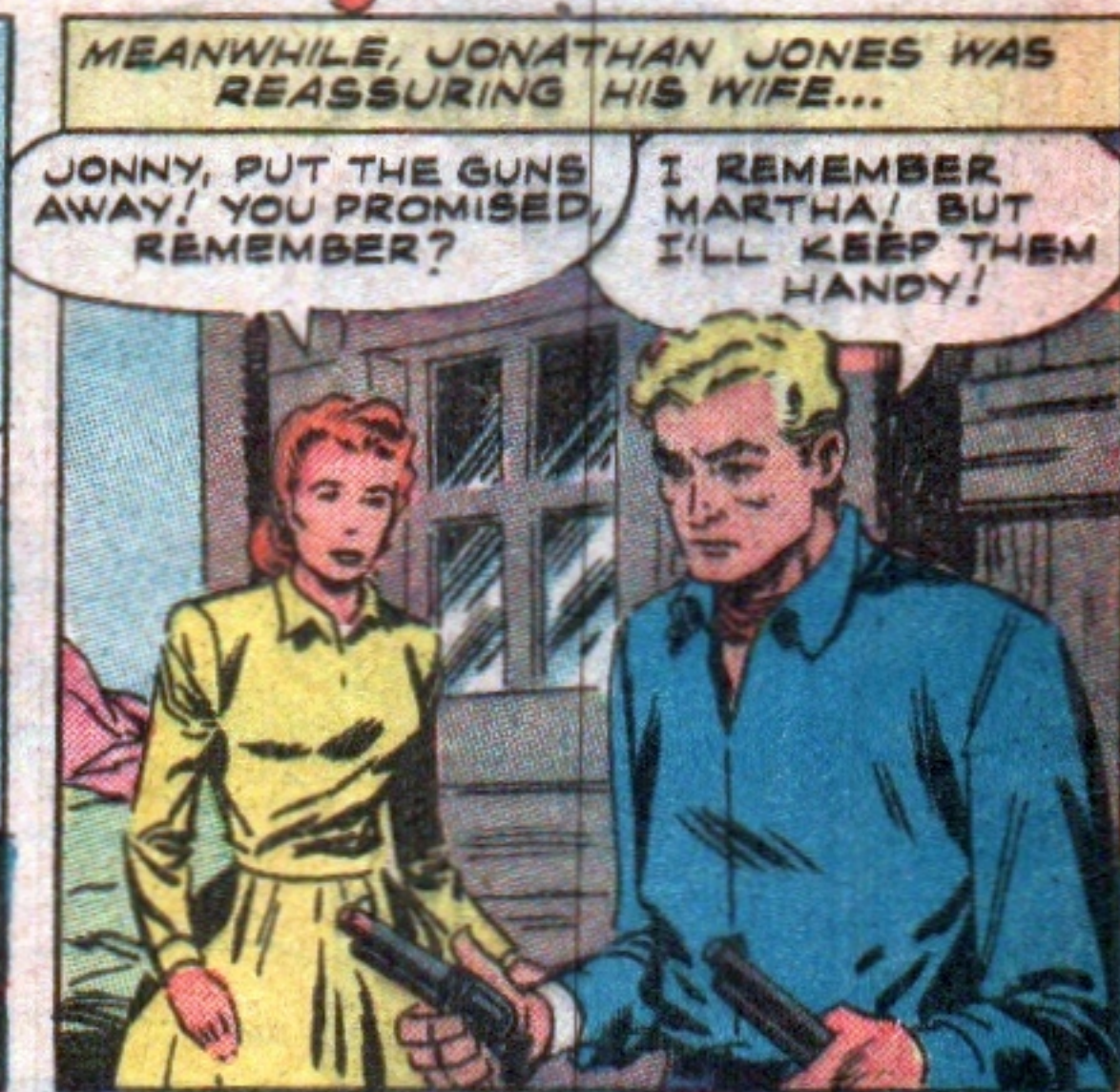
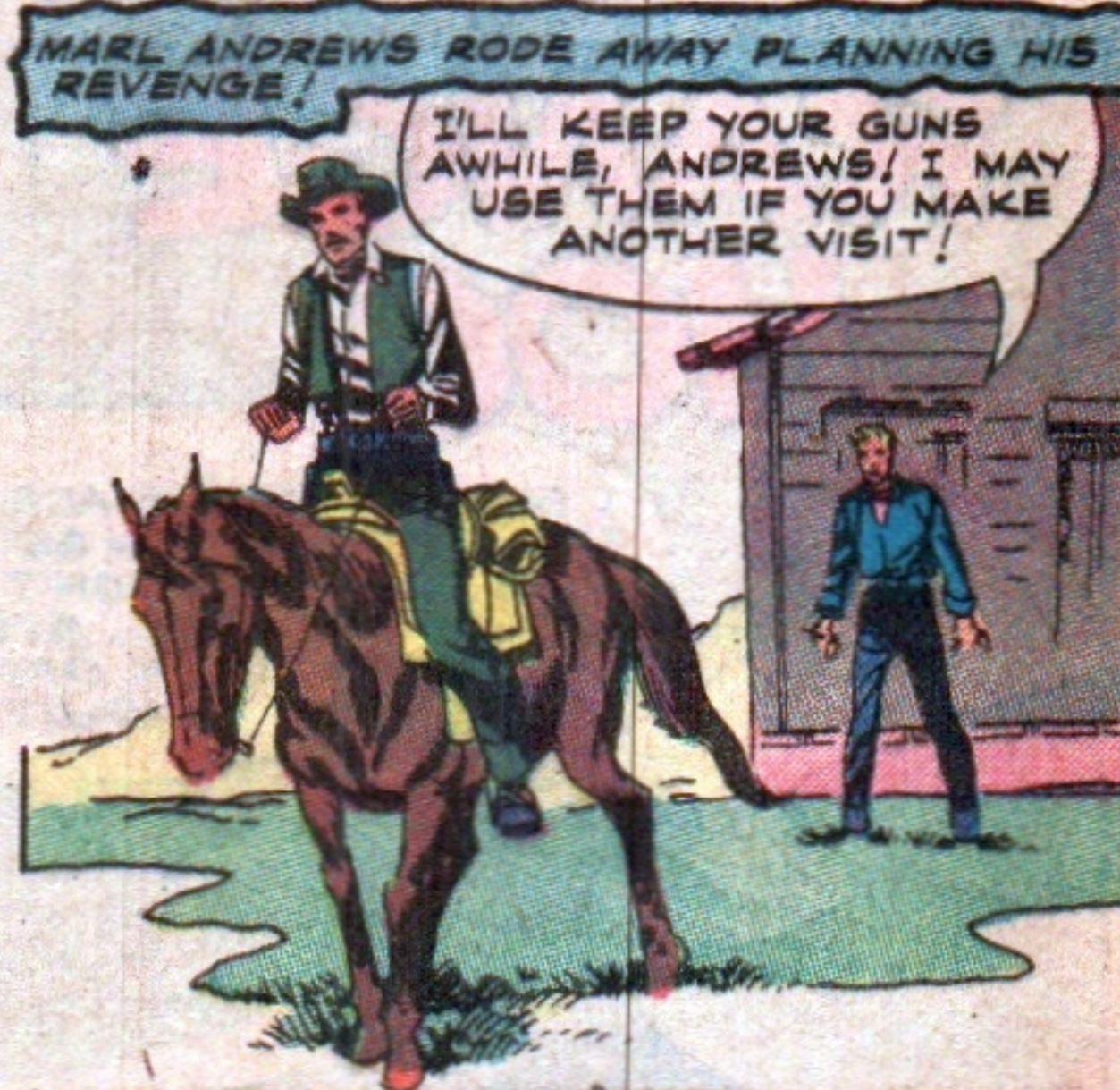


MARL ANDREWS AIMED AND COCKED HIS COLTS... BUT HE HESITATED AND THAT GAVE THE HOMESTEADER HIS CHANCE!

BE CAREFUL, JONNY!



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THE TWO GUN-SLINGERS DIDN'T FIGURE ON TROUBLE! THEY LIVED BY THE GUN-- JONESY LIVED ON HIS SWEAT! THEY FOUND HIM PLOWING EAST OF HIS HOUSE!



MARTHA! BRING MY LUNCH! HURRY!

YOU WON'T BE EATIN' LUNCH, JONES! NOT ON THIS LAND ANYHOW! WE'RE HERE TUH THROW YUH OUT!

LET'S TALK THIS OVER FIRST, BOYS! I WORKED HARD BUILDING THIS PLACE!



KEEP BEGGIN', FARMER, WE ENJOY IT!

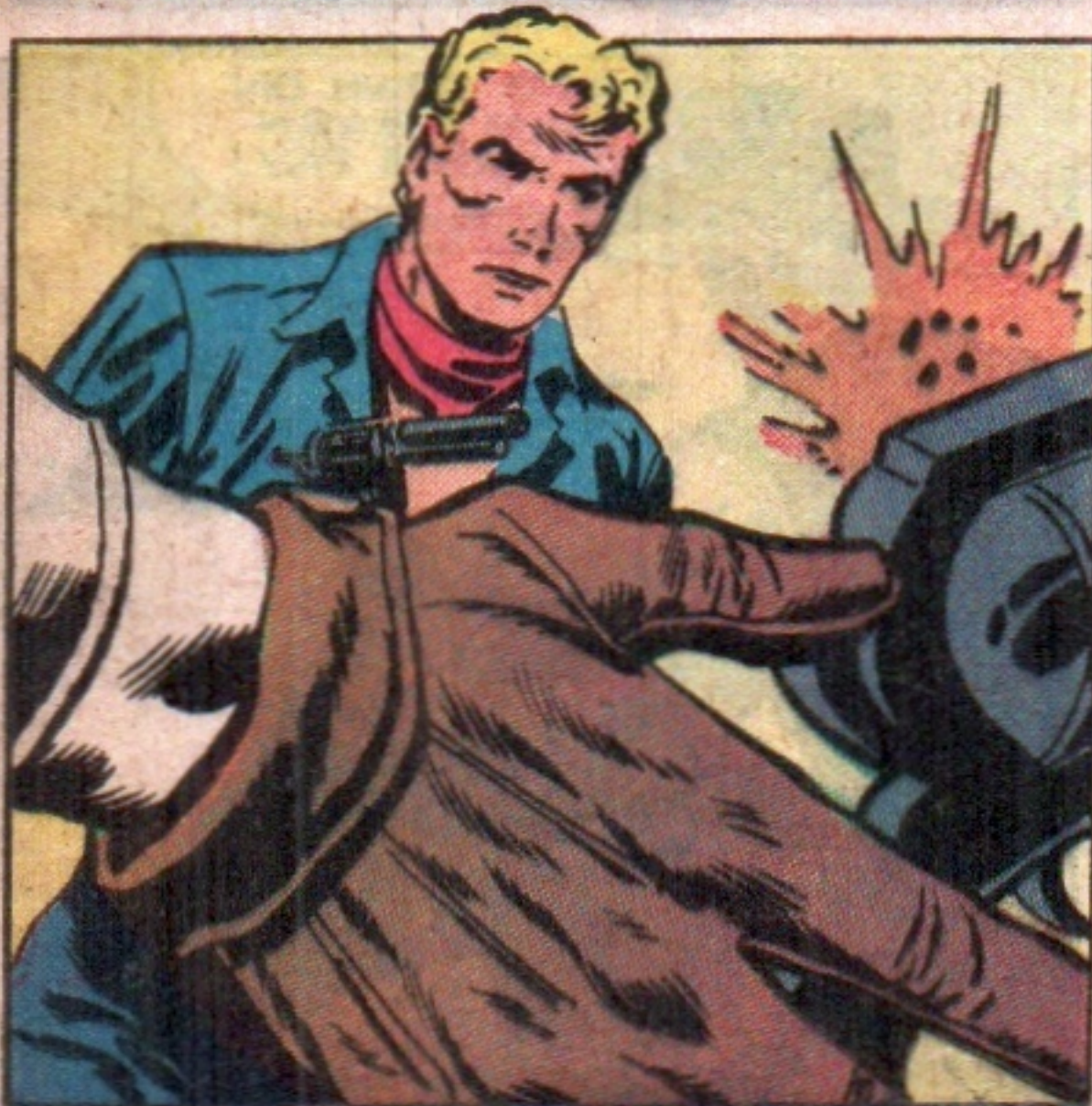
IT'S NO USE-- YOU WON'T LISTEN TO WORDS!



THERE WAS A COLT .45 IN THE LUNCH BUCKET-- JONES HAD IT IN HIS FIST AS RUGA DREW!



GO TELL MARL ANDREWS WHAT HAPPENED-- DRAW YOUR PAY AND KEEP TRAVELING! I'LL BE LOOKING FOR YOU NEXT TIME!



MAVERICK MARSHAL

THE GUNSLINGERS HAD QUITE A BIT TO REPORT TO ANDREWS WHEN THEY ARRIVED!

YUH LET A SODBUSTER SCARE YUH OFF?

THEM SLUGS HE PUT IN ME AN' HATCH WEREN'T BLUFFS, MARL! I SEEN THAT GUY BEFORE TOO--AN' NOT BEHIND A PLOW!

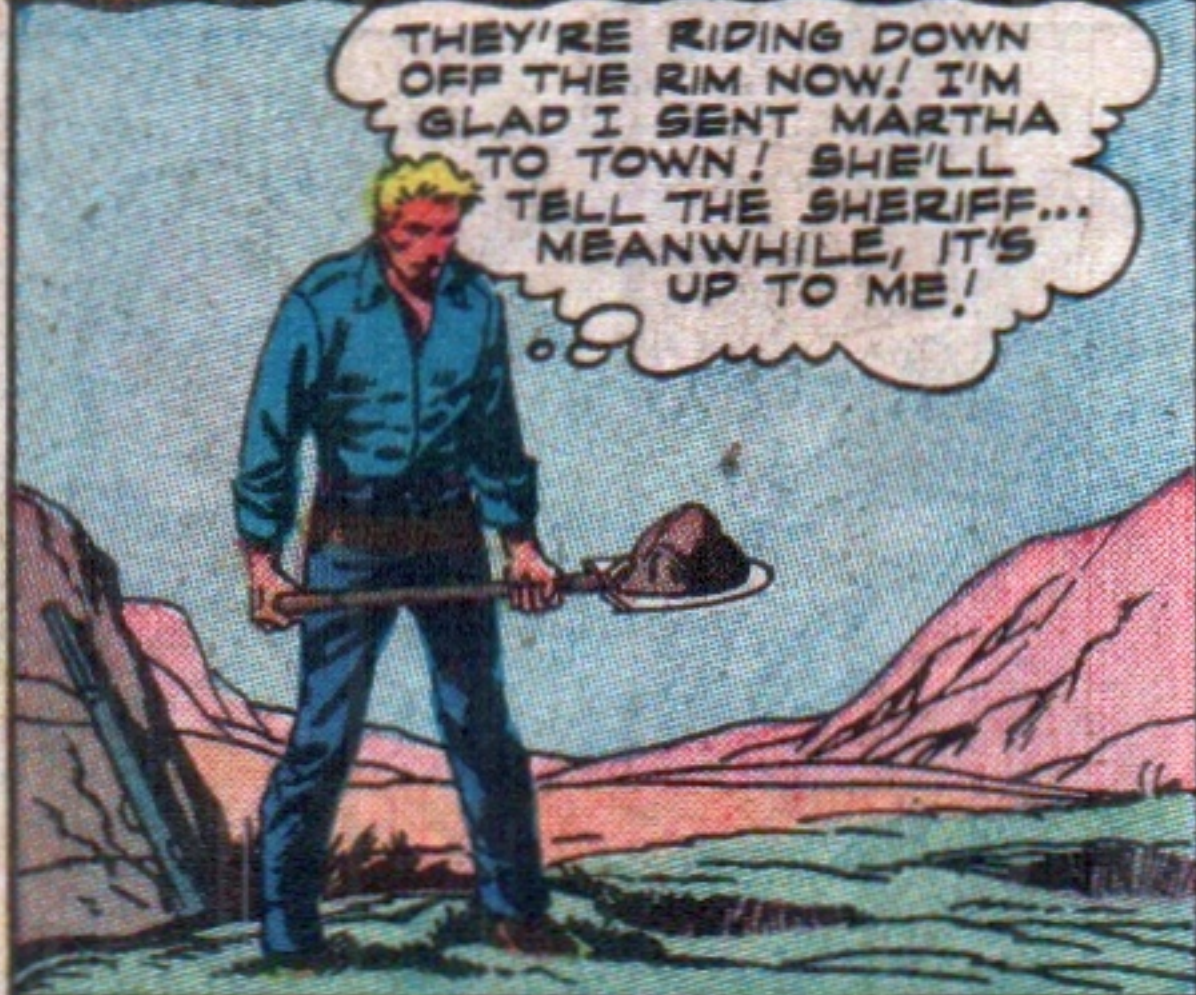


I'LL HANDLE HIM--THIS TIME, WE WON'T GIVE HIM A CHANCE! HEY, ACE --GET BUCK, WE GOT A JOB TO DO!



JONATHAN WAS WORKING AGAIN--BUT HE ANTICIPATED MORE ACTION HE WAS READY...

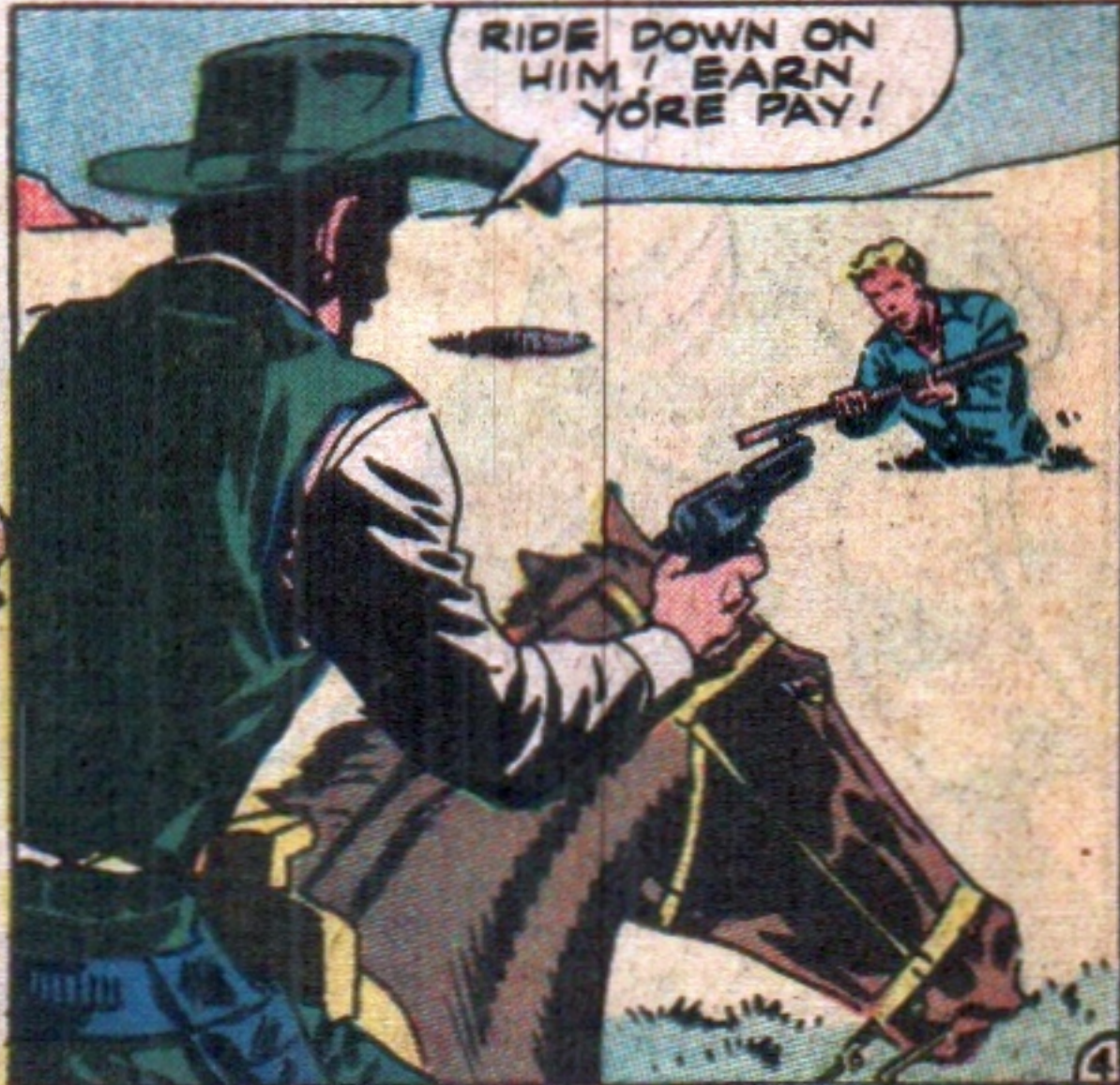
THEY'RE RIDING DOWN OFF THE RIM NOW! I'M GLAD I SENT MARTHA TO TOWN! SHE'LL TELL THE SHERIFF... MEANWHILE, IT'S UP TO ME!



THEY'RE SURE IN A HURRY TO FINISH ME OFF THIS TIME!



RIDE DOWN ON HIM! EARN YORE PAY!



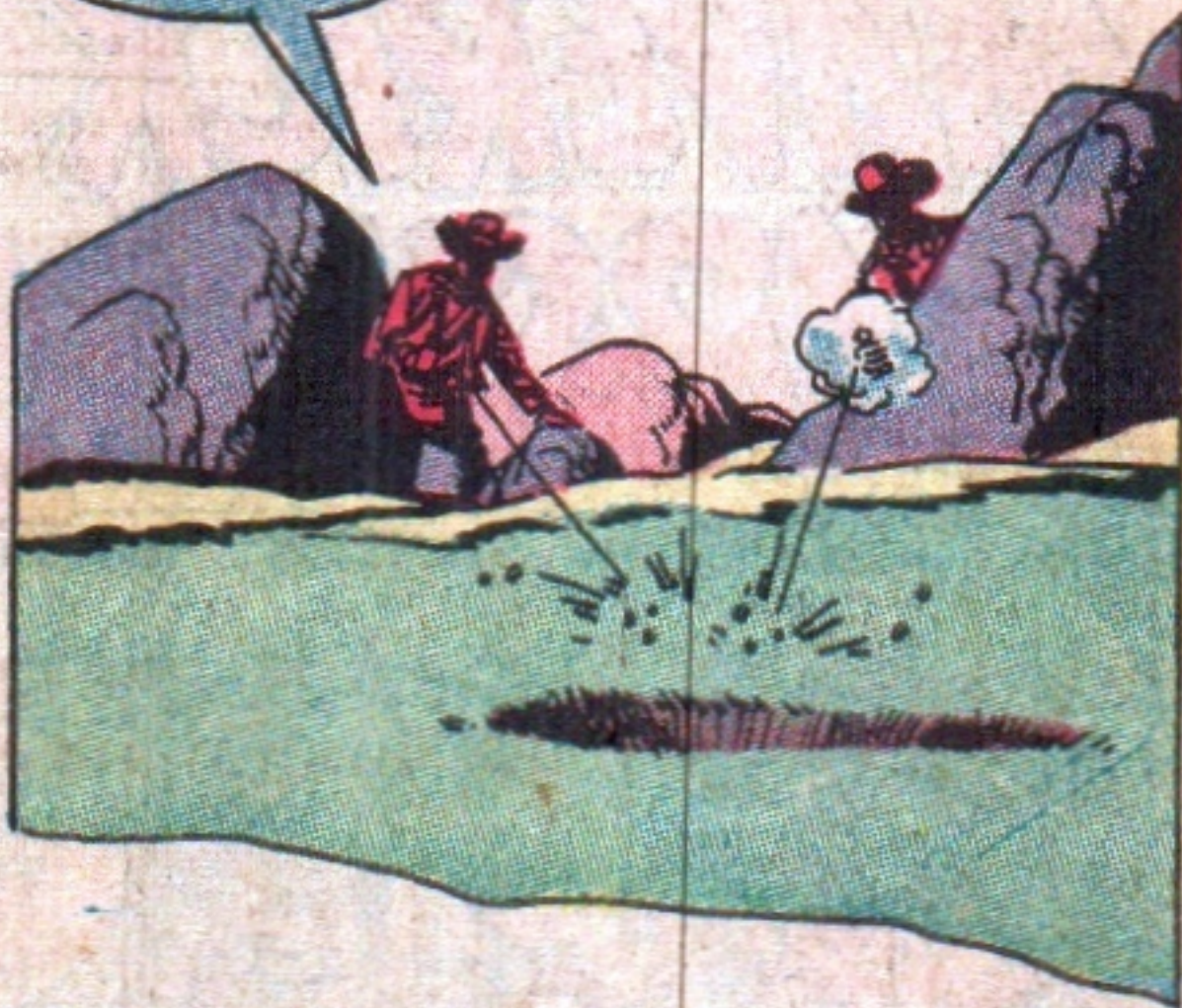
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JONES DIDN'T TAKE CHANCES--HE GOT OFF TWO EFFECTIVE SNAP SHOTS, THEN DUCKED ONCE MORE!

ACE IS DOWNED, BUCK! YOU AN' ME GOT TUH DO IT! KEEP FIRIN'-- WE'LL SMOKE HIM OUT!

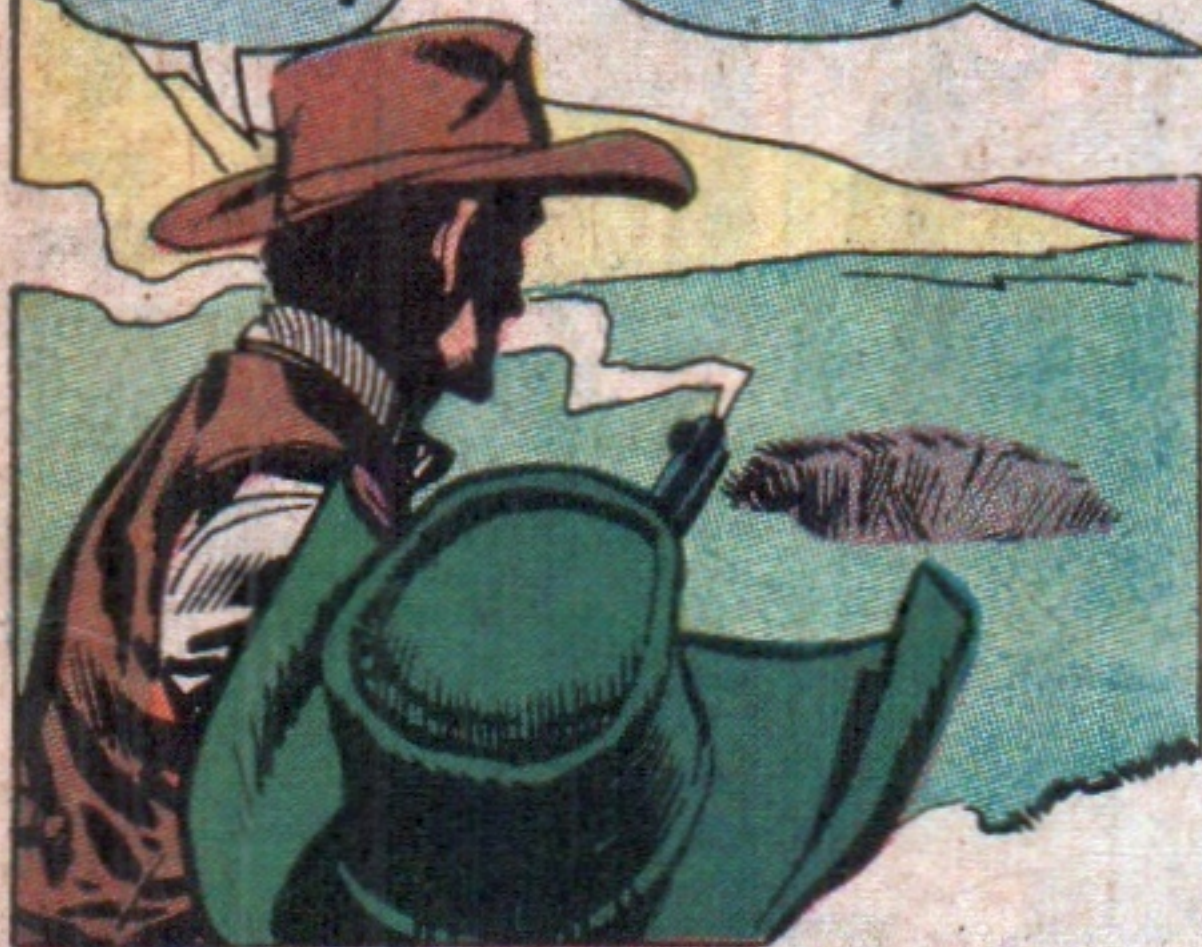


THAT'S IT, BUCK!



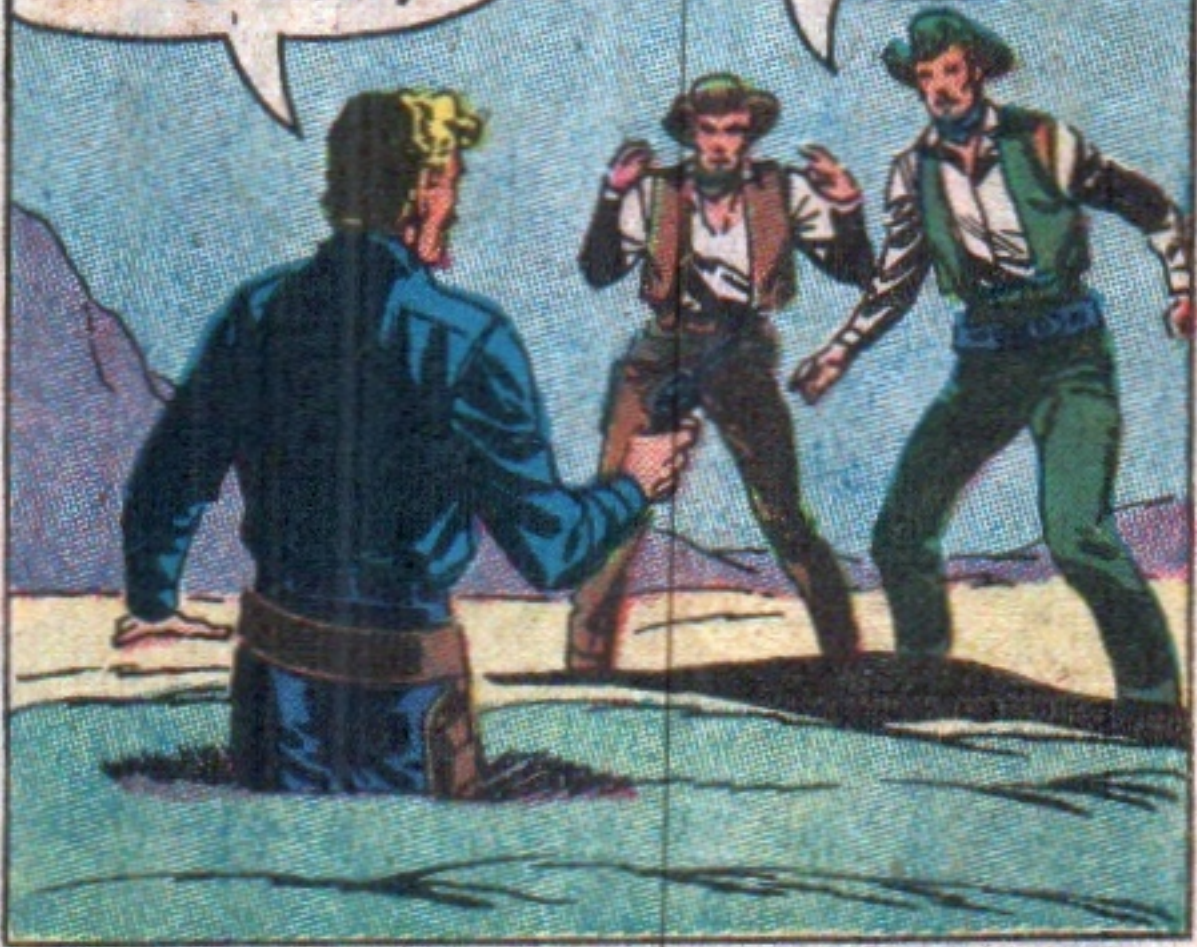
HEY, BOSS, THIS HOLE IS EMPTY!

PUT 'EM UP ANDREWS! BOTH OF YOU!

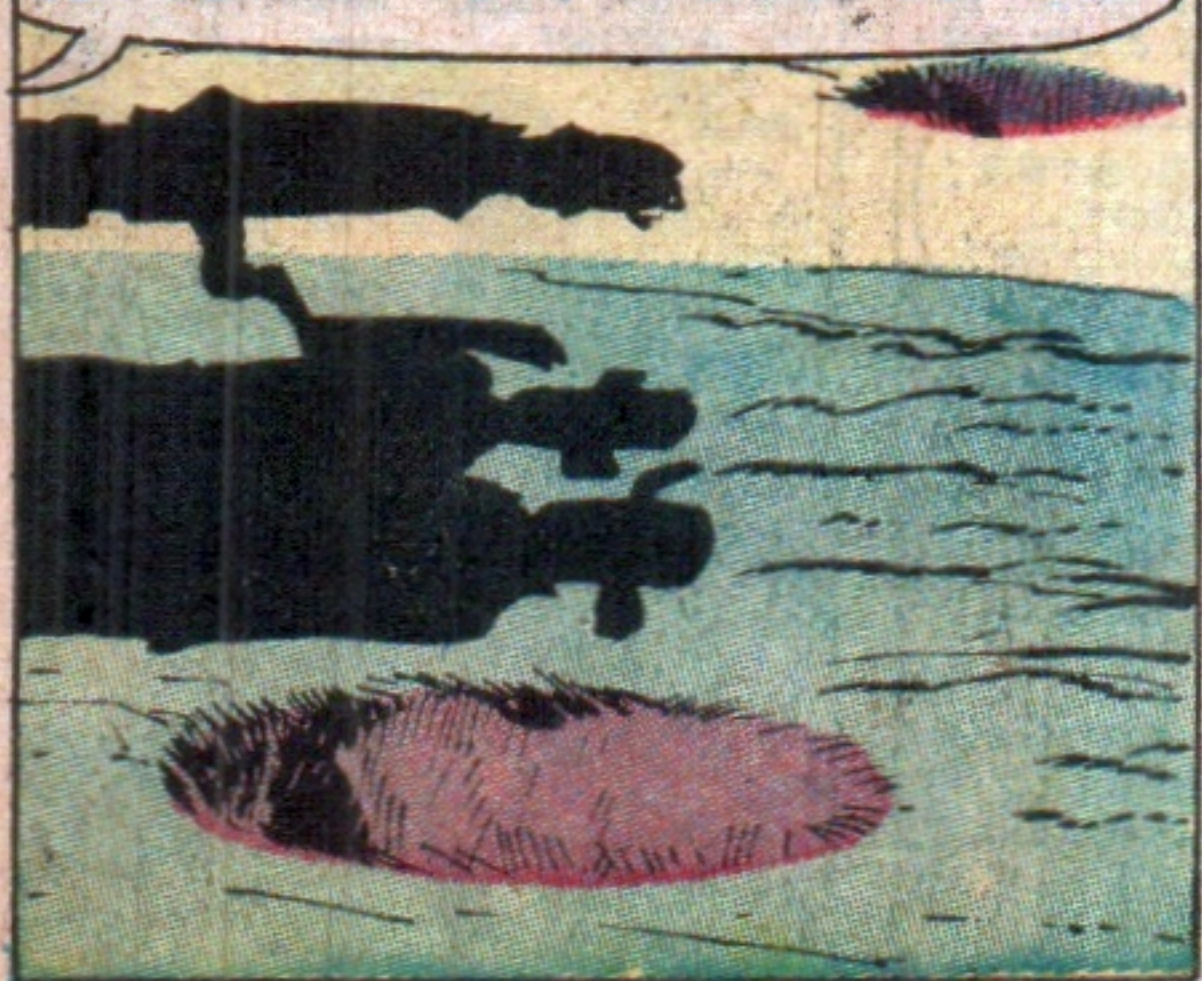


YOU'RE THROUGH, ANDREWS! THE SHERIFF'S ON THE WAY!

YUH TRICKED US... BUT HOW?



I KNEW YOU'D COME FOR ME, ANDREWS! I DUG TWO WIDE, DEEP POST HOLES WITH AN UNDERGROUND TUNNEL CONNECTING THEM! IT WORKED OUT FINE!



LATER, WHEN THE SHERIFF ARRIVED...

ANDREWS, YOU SURE WERE DUMB! I WANT YOU TO MEET **BRAZOS JONES**, RETIRED TEXAS RANGER! YUH TANGLED WITH THE WRONG MAN!



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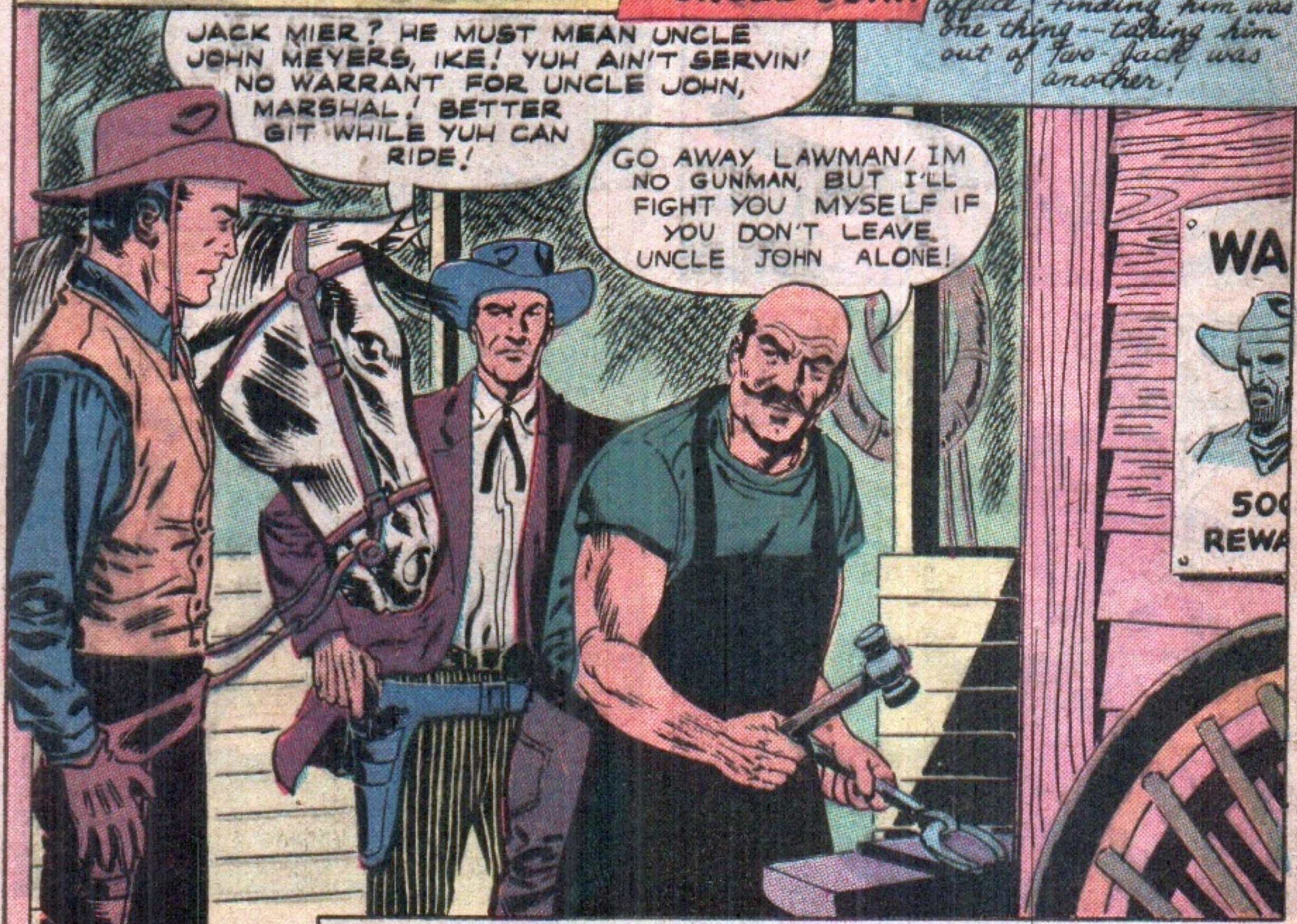
A WARRANT FOR UNCLE JOHN



The district adjutant handed me the warrant for Sundown Jack Mier on the 12th of June! Thirty-eight days later, following a dim trail, I rode into the town of Two-Jack with a strong hunch I'd caught up with the toughest fugitive we'd had in my years with the U.S. Marshal's office! Finding him was one thing--taking him out of Two-Jack was another!

JACK MIER? HE MUST MEAN UNCLE JOHN MEYERS, IKE! YUH AIN'T SERVIN' NO WARRANT FOR UNCLE JOHN, MARSHAL! BETTER GIT WHILE YUH CAN RIDE!

GO AWAY, LAWMAN! IM NO GUNMAN, BUT I'LL FIGHT YOU MYSELF IF YOU DON'T LEAVE UNCLE JOHN ALONE!



MEANWHILE, IN THE ALLEY BEHIND THE BLACKSMITH SHOP, UNCLE JOHN-- KNOWN AS SUNDOWN JACK IN THE U.S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE-- WAS STAYING OUT OF SIGHT!

UNCLE JOHN, YUH GOT ANY PEPPERMINT CANDY?

BEAT IT, BUSTER! I AIN'T GOT... WAIT A MINUTE!



I'VE BEEN BUILDING MYSELF UP AS A HARMLESS KIND-HEARTED GENT--I'D BETTER KEEP RIGHT ON ACTIN' THE PART!



NICHOLAS AND FRAPANI

MAVERICK MARSHAL

I DIDN'T KNOW THAT SUNDOWN JACK WAS THAT CLOSE BY--BUT I KNEW HE WAS IN TOWN!

SOUNDS LIKE A DIFFERENT MAN! THE MAN I WANT, SUNDOWN JACK MIER,--SHOT A DEPUTY IN SPRINGVILLE DURIN' A HOLD-UP, THEN DESERTED HIS PARD

WHEN THE POSSE WAS CLOSIN' IN!



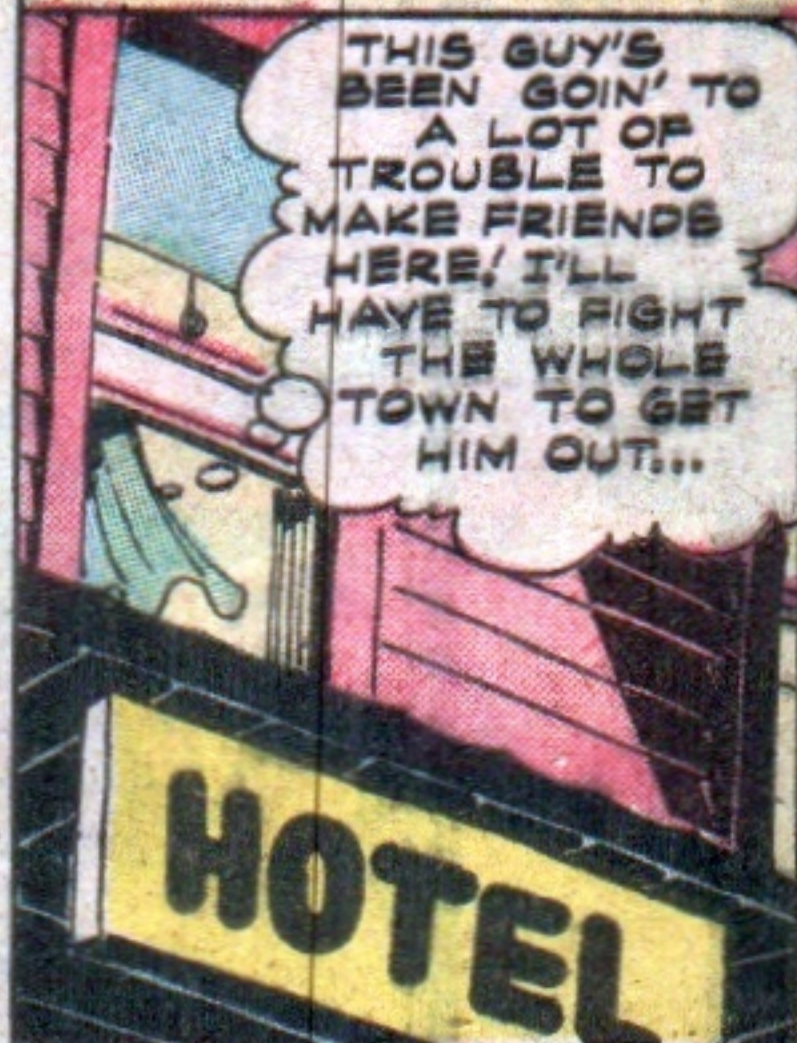
SUNDOWN JACK'S SMOOTH--HE'S A WIZARD WITH A MARKED DECK OF CARDS! HAS A TATTOO ON THE BACK OF HIS RIGHT HAND!

IT'S UNCLE JOHN, MISTER--BUT HE AIN'T LIKE YUH SAID! UNCLE JOHN'S **SQUARE**--THE KIDS ALL LIKE HIM!

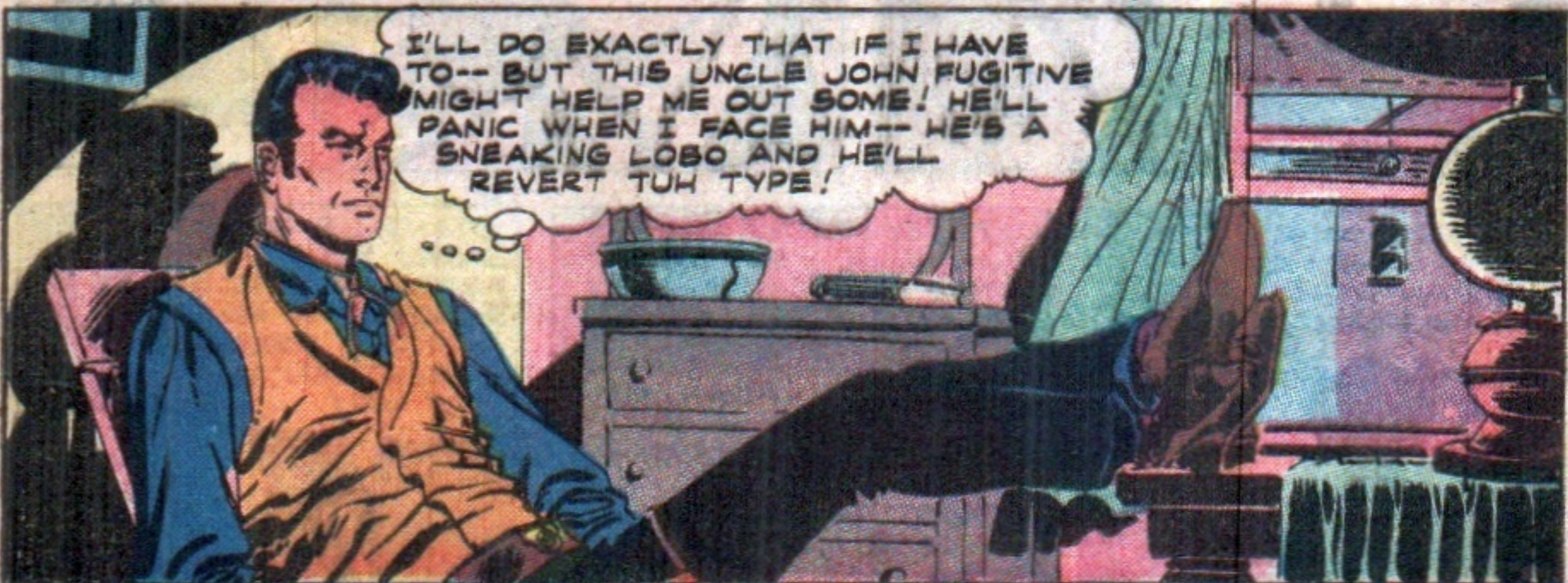


I'D HEARD ENOUGH--I STOPPED LOOKING FOR OUR MAN AND WENT TO THE HOTEL! I WASN'T AFRAID HE'D LEAVE TWO-JACK--I WAS HOPIN' HE WOULD!

THIS GUY'S BEEN GOIN' TO A LOT OF TROUBLE TO MAKE FRIENDS HERE! I'LL HAVE TO FIGHT THE WHOLE TOWN TO GET HIM OUT..



I'LL DO EXACTLY THAT IF I HAVE TO--BUT THIS UNCLE JOHN FUGITIVE MIGHT HELP ME OUT SOME! HE'LL PANIC WHEN I FACE HIM--HE'S A SNEAKING LOBO AND HE'LL REVERT TUH TYPE!



SAY THE WORD, JACK! WE'LL GET YUH CLEAR OF THE LAW!

NO, SLIP--I CAN HANDLE HIM! NOW'S AS GOOD A TIME AS ANY!



I FELL ASLEEP IN THE CHAIR--I DIDN'T HEAR A THING UNTIL A LITTLE AFTER SUNDOWN WHEN I HEARD A THUD, WOKE UP, THEN HEARD THE FUSE SIZZLIN'!

I CAN'T REACH THE FUSE IN TIME! IT'S GOING OFF ANY SECOND!



MAVERICK MARSHAL

HE MUST'VE BEEN AWAKE! I MISSED-- BUT NO ONE KNOWS WHO TOSSED THE TNT UP THROUGH THE WINDOW!

BLAM!

THE STREET WAS FILLED WITH ALARMED CITIZENS A MOMENT LATER--

I KNOW-- YUH THINK UNCLE JOHN DID IT! WELL I DONT-- NOBODY ELSE WILL EITHER!

I WON'T WASTE TIME TALKIN' MUSCLES! I'M GONNA TAKE MEYERS IN RIGHT NOW! STAND ASIDE!

HERE HE IS NOW, BOYS! THE LAWMAN WITH THE WARRANT!

I'VE SEEN HOSTILE CROWDS IN MY TIME-- BUT THAT BUNCH WAS MAD ENOUGH TUH BITE STEEL AN' SPIT WINCHESTERS!

IS THE MAN KNOWN AS JOHN MEYERS HERE? I'VE GOT A WARRANT-- IT READS FOR THE ARREST OF SUNDOWN JACK MIER!

BETTER GO BACK TUH THE CAPITAL, MARSHAL!

STAND UP, SUNDOWN JACK! YUH'RE UNDER ARREST FOR ROBBERY, SHOOTIN' A PEACE OFFICER, RESISTIN' ARREST AN'... GIT UP!

I WARNED YUH, MARSHAL!

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I'D KNOWN THE CROWD WAS WITH HIM--BUT I HADN'T KNOWN HOW FAR THEY'D GO UNTIL I MADE MY MOVE! IKE, THE BLACKSMITH, REACHED ME FIRST...

TAKE HIM APART, IKE! HE'S TRYIN' TUH FRAME ME INTUH THE STATE PEN!



IKE DIDN'T WORRY ME MUCH --HE WAS BIG BUT I'VE MET BIG MEN BEFORE...



YUH GOT HIM, MISTER, BUT YUH GOTTA GET PAST ME TUH GET TUH UNCLE JOHN!

YUH'RE A FOOL-- YUH'RE ALL FOOLS! SUNDOWN JACK ISN'T WORTH THIS TROUBLE-- BUT YUH'RE ASKING FOR IT!



THE NEXT ONE WILL BE FOR KEEPS, COWBOY! FREEZE!

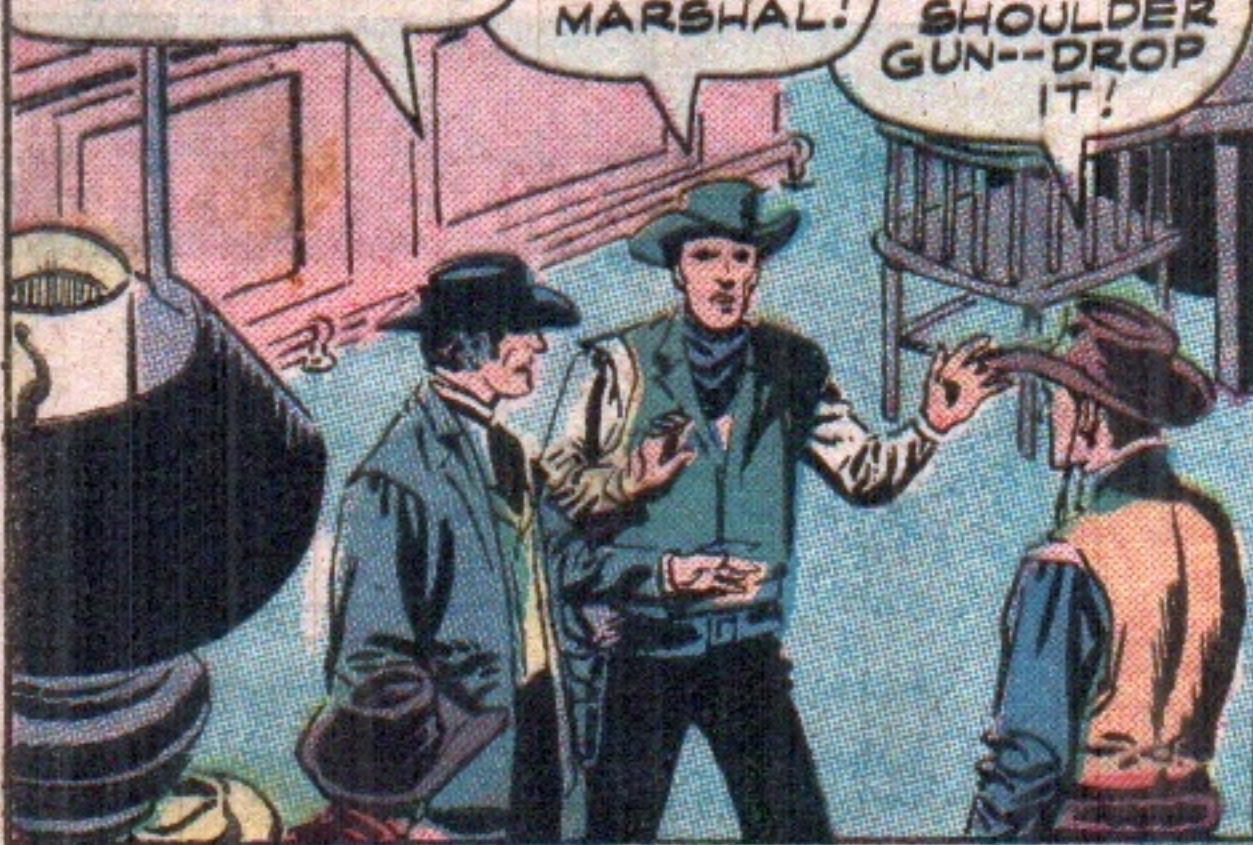


THAT LEFT UNCLE JOHN--THE REST OF THE CROWD DIDN'T WANT MY BRAND OF TROUBLE!

YOU, CARL! HELP ME! REMEMBER, HOW I... CARL!

I AIN'T BUCKING THAT MARSHAL!

IT'S BETWEEN US, MEYERS! YUH PACK A SHOULDER GUN--DROP IT!



WALK AHEAD OF ME--OUT TUH THE STREET! WE'LL HAVE A SHOWDOWN OUT THERE! THESE FOLKS RESPECT ME--I AIN'T GONNA LET 'EM DOWN!



MAVERICK MARSHAL

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WHEN I SAY THE WORD, STONE, TURN AROUND WITH A GUN IN YORE FIST!

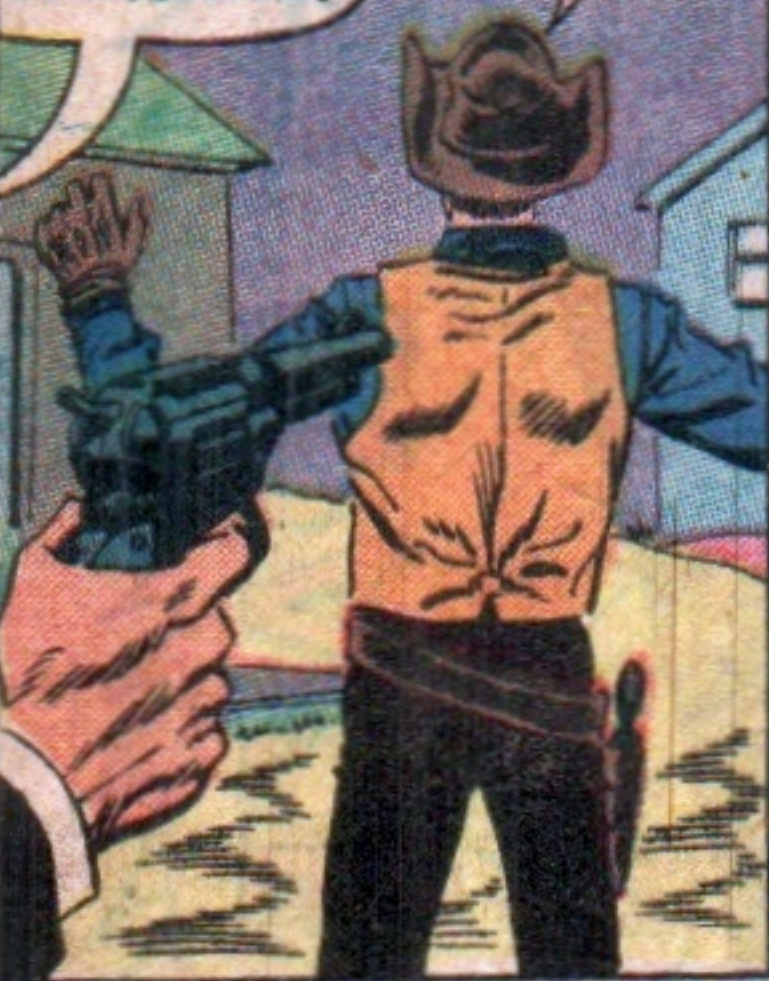
THAT'S REAL SPORTIN' JACK! I'LL BE TOO FULL OF LEAD TUH FLOAT BY THE TIME I FILL MY HAND!



SAY, JACK, HE'S RIGHT! YUH CAN'T DO THAT!

ALL RIGHT--MAKE YORE PLAY! TURN AROUND, MARSHAL!

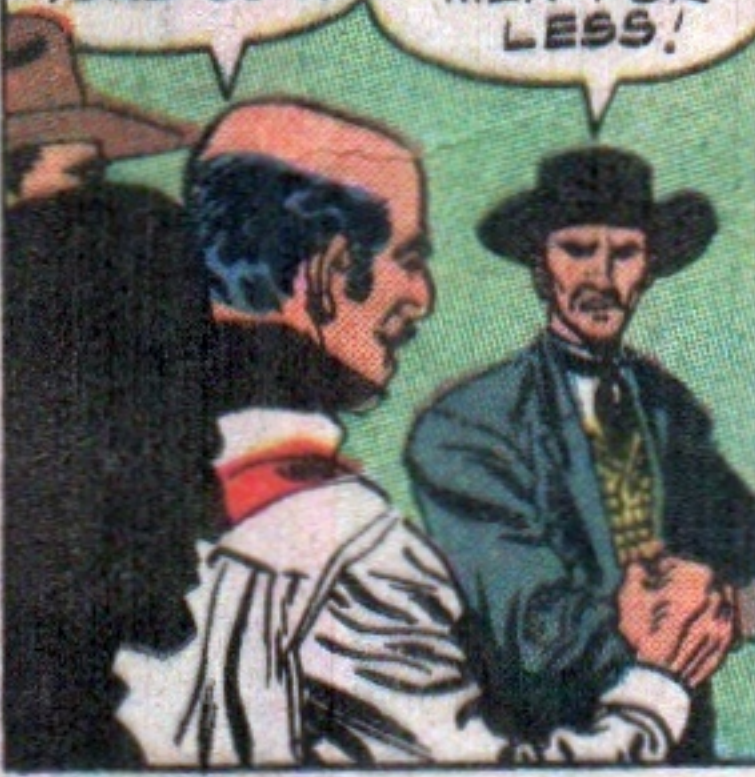
UH UH! NOT ME... GO AHEAD AN SHOOT ME IN THE BACK, I WON'T DRAW!



I FELT THEM CHANGING--THEY LOOKED AT THE MAN THEY'D CALLED UNCLE JOHN AND SAW SUNDOWN JACK MIER, AND THEY DIDN'T LIKE HIM!

WE WAS WRONG ABOUT YOU, MEYERS! GIVE HIM A CHANCE --PUT UP YORE GUN!

GET BACK YOU FOOL! I'VE SHOT OTHER MEN FOR LESS!



WHAT, TH...?

YUH'D SHOOT IKE-- AN' HE AIN'T EVEN PACKIN' A GUN!



THAT WOUND IT UP--THE LOCAL CITIZENS APOLOGIZED FOR SIDIN' THE MAN THEY CALLED UNCLE JOHN! UNCLE JOHN WENT INTO A CELL!

HE SURE FOOLED US, MARSHAL! I HOPE YUH'RE NOT SORE!

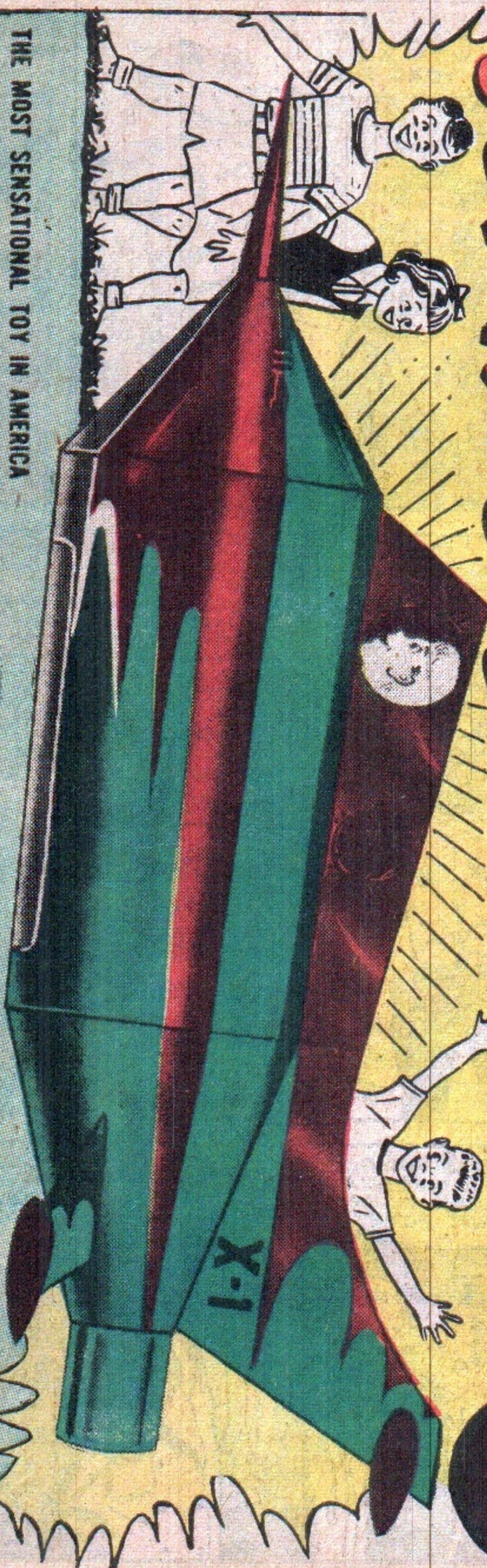
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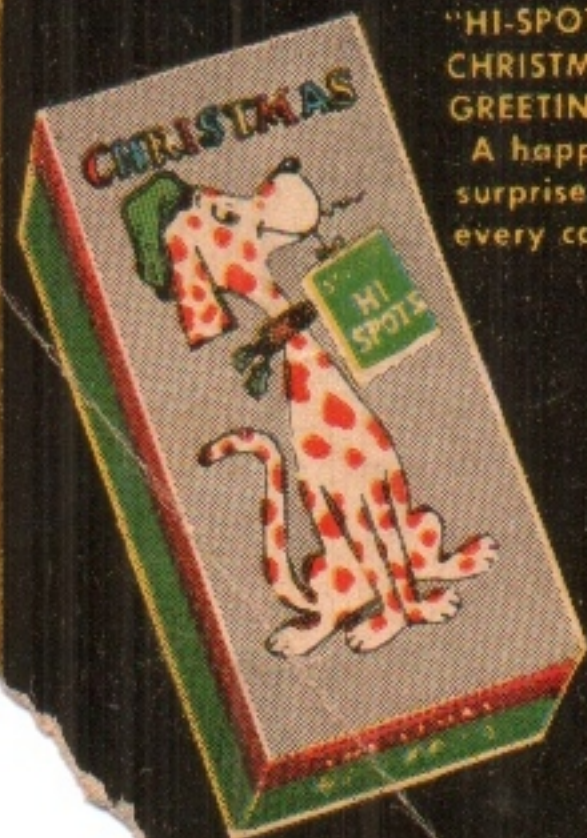
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